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Minister's Message

I am very pleased to introduce the twenty-fifth annual report of the Department of Community Services.

The Nova Scotia Department of Community Services 1989 contains descriptions of the broad range of services and programs which this department makes available to Nova Scotians. I am sure this report will be both helpful and interesting to all.

Guy J. LeBlanc
Minister of Community Services

Premier John M. Buchanan signing the proclamation for Senior Citizens' Week.
From left to right: Mr. Jack Glassey, Dr. Fred MacKinnon,
the Premier, Honourable Guy J. LeBlanc

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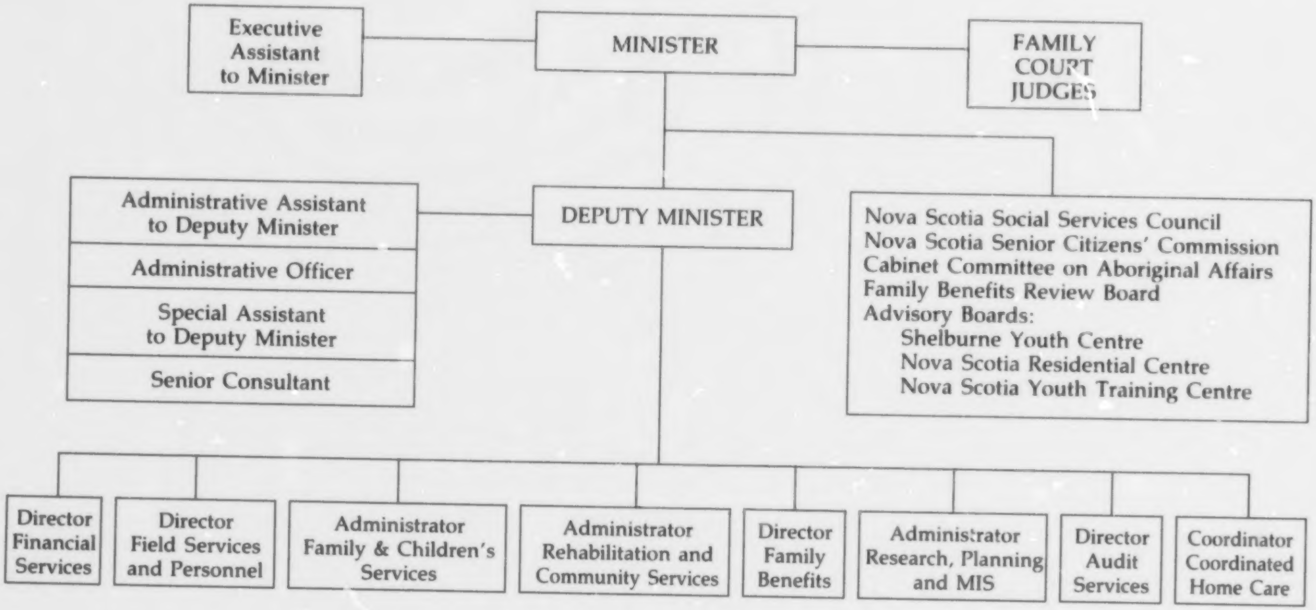
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MINISTER
FAMILY COURT JUDGES
Administrative Assistant to Deputy Minister
Administrative Officer
Special Assistant to Deputy Minister
Senior Consultant
DEPUTY MINISTER
Nova Scotia Social Services Council
Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission
Cabinet Committee on Aboriginal Affairs
Family Benefits Review Board
Advisory Boards:
Shelburne Youth Centre
Nova Scotia Residential Centre
Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre
Director Financial Services
Director Field Services and Personnel
Administrator Family & Children's Services
Administrator Rehabilitation and Community Services
Director Family Benefits
Administrator Research, Planning and MIS
Director Audit Services
Coordinator Coordinated Home Care

Ministers who have served the Department since its beginning are as follows:

Frank Roy Davis	1933-1948
Lauchlin David Currie	1948-1949
Alexander Hugh MacKinnon	1949-1950
Harold Connolly	1950-1954
Geoffrey Stevens	1954-1955
J. Clyde Nunn	1955-1956
Richard Donahoe	1956-1958
Malcolm Leonard	1958-1960
W.S.K. Jones	1960-1964
James M. Harding	1964-1968
Percy Gaum	1968-1969
Gordon A. Tidman	1969-1970
Allan E. Sullivan	1970-1972
William Gillis	1972-1973
Harold Huskilson	1973-1976
Bill MacEachern	1976-1978
Jack MacIsaac	1978-1979
Laird Stirling	1979-1981
Edmund L. Morris	1981-1987
Thomas J. McInnis	1987-1988
Guy J. LeBlanc	1989-

Deputy Ministers who have served the Department since its beginning are as follows:

Ernest H. Blois	Deputy Head	1933-1944
	Deputy Minister	1944-1947
Hiram S. Farquhar	Deputy Head	1947-1959
Fred R. MacKinnon	Deputy Head	1947-1959
	Deputy Minister	1959-1980
John Angus MacKenzie	Deputy Minister	1980-1985
Gwen Pickering	Deputy Minister	1985-1986
Carmen Moir	Deputy Minister	1986-

Mr. Carmen F. Moir, Deputy Minister, Department of Community Services

Deputy Minister and staff

Recent Developments in Community Services

- Family Benefits food allowances for children were increased on October 1, 1989, by 8% to 73% depending on the age of the child, at a cost of $4.6 million.
- The decision-making function of the Family Benefits Program was decentralized to the New Glasgow office in January 1989 for the counties of Colchester, Cumberland, Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough.
- In January 1989 the Healthy Baby Program for pregnant and new mothers in receipt of Family Benefits was introduced to provide a supplementary nutritional allowance and nutritional counselling and education.
- In March 1989 the ministerial task force on homemakers and home care financing completed its work, recommending a revised and standardized funding formula for homemaker agencies.
- A review of the Children's Services Act was conducted by Professor Allister Bissett-Johnson and it is anticipated that legislation will be introduced at the 1990 session of the Nova Scotia Legislature.
- During the year, 40 new staff have been added to children's aid societies and the Family and Children's Services Section of the Department.
- Two additional Family Court Judges were appointed, bringing the total complement to 18.
- Legislation was passed that excluded the consideration of an individual's primary residence as an asset in determining eligibility for financial assistance in a Home for Special Care.
- The task force on levels of cost-sharing for municipal assistance tabled a report reviewing the municipal social assistance program.
- Legislative amendments were proclaimed whereby the province is charged to cost-share at a percentage of not less than 66 2/3% in all municipal expenditures made on behalf of persons in Homes for Special Care.
- Comprehensive reviews of the needs of mentally handicapped and mentally disabled persons have been initiated in four centres in the province.
- The federal-provincial SARS program has provided 1,600 participants with access to 116 different community-based training options.

Community Service Awards

The Community Service Award was instituted in 1977 to give recognition to individuals and organizations providing voluntary service to their communities. To date, there have been 199 recipients of the award.

The following were presented awards by Premier John M. Buchanan on April 20, 1989:

Gary Bacich
Robert Bezanson
Joan Bryan
Jana and Darrell Church
Joseph "Al" Desrosiers
Gary Dockendorff
Mary Ann Fickes
Alex Gilchrist
Donna and Clarence Hazel
PROJECT HOPE
Fred Kelley
Kinsmen Club of Kentville and District

Pius LeBlanc
Percy Leyte
Port Williams and District Lions Club
Charles and Wendy Ritcey
Sharon and Roy Saulnier
Hazel and Murray Sherman
Tabitha Centre Organization
Dr. William Tidmarsh
Captain Douglas Vale
G.G. "Gerry" Wambolt
Dorle Weiland

Honourable Guy J. LeBlanc, Minister of Community Services, with recipients of the 1989 Community Service Awards

Advisory Boards

Nova Scotia Social Services Council

Reverend Vincent Ihasz, Chairman
Bessie Harris, M.S.W., Executive Secretary

The Nova Scotia Social Services Council is an advisory council constituted under *An Act to Provide for Social Services Councils,* Chapter 22 of the Statutes of Nova Scotia, 1970-71. Members of the Council come from all walks of life and are representative of various parts of the province.

The Council provides the Minister of Community Services with advice and recommendations on any matter relating to community services. To accomplish this task, Council members study reports and programs, analyze needs and hear briefs from agencies and individuals throughout the province. The knowledge thus gained enables the Council, after careful consideration and where appropriate, to make recommendations to the Minister.

During the year the Council met on five occasions. Three of the meetings were held in Halifax and the others at Yarmouth and Bridgewater. In addition to the regular Council meetings, the Executive met seven times in Halifax.

At the Halifax Council meetings, presentations were made by the Family Service Association, Phoenix House, the Director of Rehabilitation and Community Services, the Administrator of Family and Children's Services, the Provincial Coordinator of Home Care, and a member of the Task Force on the Levels of Cost-Sharing of Municipal Assistance.

At the meeting in Yarmouth, Council received presentations from the Administrator of the Western Regional Office, the Director of the Residential Centre at Hebron, the Coordinator of Home Care, the Yarmouth Foodbank, the Yarmouth Boys' and Girls' Club and the adult service centre. In Bridgewater, briefs were presented to Council by Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County, the Bridgewater Foodbank, Ark Industries, and Harbour House.

At the request of the Task Force on the Levels of Cost-Sharing of Municipal Assistance, and as suggested by the Minister, the Council appointed a subcommittee to study this matter and, following a review of the subcommittee's report, prepared a brief containing several recommendations. This brief was submitted to the task force and a copy was forwarded to the Minister.

The members of the Council have endeavoured to be well informed of the scope of services provided by the Department of Community Services so their deliberations and recommendations may be of significant value to the Minister.

Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission

Jack Glassey, Chairman
Allan Clark, Coordinator

The Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission was established in 1972 under the Senior Citizens' Social Services Act. The Commission consists of 19 private citizens, many of them seniors, who come from all parts of the province and are appointed by the executive council of the provincial government for three years or for a shorter term. Representatives from the departments of Education, Health and Fitness, and Advanced Education and Job Training, and from the Senior Citizens Secretariat, also participate in Senior Citizens' Commission meetings, bringing the total membership to 23.

The mandate of the Nova Scotia Senior Citizens' Commission is:

- to conduct, direct and promote fact-finding studies and research related to aging
- to seek out and encourage people interested in providing voluntary services to citizen groups concerned with aging

- to promote new activities and social services for senior citizens through voluntary agencies and all levels of government
- to review existing legislation and government programs and make recommendations as to how these may be improved to provide better services for senior citizens, and to fulfil any duties assigned by the Governor-in-Council or the Minister of Community Services.

During the 1988/89 fiscal year, the Commission met on several occasions and the Executive met five times. Some of the activities undertaken during the year were:

- The Commission co-sponsored five pastoral care workshops around the province with the Department of Advanced Education and Job Training and the Institute of Pastoral Training.
- Senior citizens' workshops were held with seniors councils and seniors clubs in the Eastern Shore, Guysborough, Antigonish, Cape Breton, Colchester, Hants, Cumberland and Pictou areas.
- The Commission published an updated version of the *Directory of Senior Citizens Clubs and Councils* in 1989.
- The Commission sent representatives to the National Housing Conference and the Canadian Association of Gerontology's annual meeting in Halifax.
- The Commission invited several speakers from various organizations and government departments to its regular meeting to speak on topics related to seniors such as housing, transportation, drugs, coordinated home care, and adult abuse.

Staff of the Family and Children's Services Division

Mr. George Savoury, Consultant, Family and Children's Services

Family and Children's Services Division

W.D. Greatorex, R.S.W., Administrator

Each of the four program areas of the Family and Children's Division is organized as a separate section with its own director. The four sections are:

- Family and Children's Services
- Child and Adolescent Services
- Day Care Services, and
- Young Offender and Court Services.

During the year some changes were made to the structure and organization of the Family and Children's Services Division. The homemakers program was transferred out of the Division and integrated into the Coordinated Home Care Division. At the same time, efforts were made to restructure services to children and adolescents in a way that would permit us to work in a more coordinated fashion with the Department of Health and Fitness. Greater details of this restructuring are contained in the Child and Adolescent Services report. Services to adolescents and residential care programs under the Children's Services Act were transferred from the responsibilities of the Director of Family and Children's Services and placed with a new director under the Child and Adolescent Services Section.

The children's services legislation continued to be a primary concern during the year. Amendments to the Children's Services Act were passed in the Legislature in the spring of 1989 but continued to be subject to proclamation. At the time the legislation was passed a further process of review of the Children's Services Act was established. This review is still underway, with an interim report going to the Minister late in the fiscal year.

Although the legislation is some distance from being finalized, clearly a number of philosophical changes are taking place and are being reflected in practice. These changes include the adoption of the least intrusive interventions in child protection matters and greater efforts to support natural families. Also, some growth has taken place in the development of parents rights groups across the province. Further amendments to the legislation will attempt to reflect these philosophical changes.

The day care program continues to be an area where demands for public funding greatly exceed the resources available for this purpose. The province had anticipated the enactment of the federal child care program to support provincial efforts, but this matter has been put "on hold" at the federal level and thus it has not been possible to make substantial changes to the provincial program.

Family and Children's Services Section

Rosemary Rippon, R.S.W., Director

The Family and Children's Section provides the following services: protection services, services to children in care and custody, services to unmarried mothers, adoption services, family counselling services, the family violence and transition houses program, and licensing of private child-caring facilities and maternity homes.

Protection Services

Child protection workers and designated social workers in children's services agencies have the legal mandate under the Children's Services Act to investigate all reports of alleged child abuse and neglect. Eighteen children's services agencies are located throughout the province. Five are district offices of the Department of Community Services and 13 are privately run children's aid societies and family and children's services agencies. An additional agency, the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency, is now planning for the provision of mandated services for Native families living on Reserves.

Protection services are the backbone of Family and Children's Services. The overall priority and philosophy of this service is to maintain and support families whenever possible, while protecting children from abuse and neglect. The better the protection services provided in the community, the fewer children who will be taken into care.

A Child Abuse Register was established within the Department of Community Services and incorporated into the Children's Services Act in 1976.

Under the Children's Services Act, anyone having information, confidential or not, indicating that a child is in need of protection must report the situation to a local children's services agency. Once this report is received and investigated by the agency, and the agency has concluded that there is evidence indicating the child is or has been abused within the definition of child abuse, the matter is reported to the Child Abuse Register. Once reported to the register, a decision is made regarding whether or not the matter will be recorded.

By facilitating the reporting and recording of child abuse, the register assists the Department in identifying the extent of abuse in Nova Scotia and monitoring the whereabouts of children, their families and suspected abusers so that protection services may continue uninterrupted.

During calendar year 1988, 511 cases of child abuse were reported to the Abuse Register.

Children in Care and Custody

The care and custody program involves planning for and supervising children whose legal guardianship has been transferred from the natural parent(s) to a children's aid society, a family and children's services agency or the Minister of Community Services through the Family Court.

In 1988-89, 625 children were placed in foster homes. In many cases, children were returned to their natural parent(s) when the parents were better able to provide for them. In other cases, when a family reunion was impossible, children were placed for adoption.

In 1988-89, 81 children in care and custody were legally adopted. The younger the child is when coming into permanent care and custody, the greater the likelihood the child will be placed in an adoptive home. Efforts are made to place a child in as permanent a home as possible. Unfortunately, the older the child is when coming into care, the less the chance that an adoptive home will be found. At the present time in Nova Scotia, 908 of the children in permanent care and custody are over the age of 10. (See Tables 1 and 2.)

Over the last few years the Department of Community Services has emphasized permanency planning for children in care and custody. The importance of planning for the child immediately upon his or her removal from the natural family is recognized. Once an agency feels a child cannot return to the natural family, the next preferred course is adoption. If adoption does not seem feasible because of the age of the child or health problems, the next preferred option is a permanent life plan with a foster family. The Department of Community Services hopes that the "child drift syndrome" within the child care system will be totally eliminated through this approach.

Children in care and custody are supported through the Department of Community Services by maintenance payments according to age:

Age	**Monthly Board**
0-9	$245
10-19	347

The monthly board is paid to foster parents. In addition, foster parents receive a clothing allowance three times a year:

Age	**Amount**	**Yearly**
0-4	$127	$381
5-9	212	636
10+	294	882

When a child has additional needs because of medical, emotional or dental problems, the Department may provide additional money for these purposes. Special needs are determined and paid on an individual basis as required.

Child and Adolescent Services

Trevor Townsend, M.S.W., Co-Director
Wade Junek, M.D., F.R.C.P.C., Co-Director

In the fall of 1985 Premier John Buchanan responded to the crisis of the dramatic increase in reporting of suspected child abuse by promising to convene a task force on family and children's services. This task force was established shortly thereafter in November 1985 by the Honourable Edmund L. Morris, then Minister of Social Services.

In its deliberations the Task Force heard more about adolescents than any other group of youngsters. It was pointed out that the resources and services to deal with their unique needs were either inadequate or non-existent. Facilities did not meet their needs nor were staff adequately skilled to cope with their complex problems. In fact the Family and Children's Services system as a whole was inadequately equipped to respond to the problems of adolescents as a group.

Of the top 10 recommendations, number four was "that a position of coordinator of services to adolescents in residential facilities be established at a senior level in the Family and Children's Services Division of the Department of Social Services." Recommendation five suggested that the Department of Social Services and Health jointly establish and operate three regional based crisis/assessment centres for adolescents and other children in care.

At the same time that the Task Force on Family and Children's Services was meeting, a committee was reviewing the program at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre. In September 1985 the Nova Scotia School for Girls became the Nova Scotia Residential Centre, changing its mandate from a correctional facility for girls to a treatment facility for both boys and girls. The transition from its previous role as a custodial institution created a great deal of stress and challenge for the staff at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre. Deputy Minister Carmen Moir established a committee to review the program and to make recommendations as to steps that could be taken to enhance the program at the facility.

This committee's recommendations again pointed out the need for coordination between the Department of Health and Fitness and the Department of Community Services to provide services to emotionally disturbed children.

In addition, an admissions process and an Admissions Committee were formalized in relation to the Nova Scotia Residential Centre. As time passed and experience grew, it became apparent that the number of children applying to be placed at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre far exceeded the number of beds available. The severity of the needs and the numbers of children who required placement soon became overwhelmingly clear.

With the Tast Force on Family and Children's Services recommendations, the recommendations from the committee reviewing the program at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre, and the pressures on the Admissions Committee of the Nova Scotia Residential Centre, recommendations went forth to Cabinet in 1987 to create two positions that would be jointly appointed by the departments of Health and Fitness and Community Services. Trevor Townsend was officially appointed to the position of Co-Director of Child and Adolescent Services on March 1, 1988. The filling of the second Co-Director position was delayed by the death of the psychiatrist who originally was to serve in this position. On January 1, 1989, Dr. Wade Junek, child and adolescent psychiatrist, was appointed a Co-Director of Child and Adolescent Services.

The Co-Directors are working on a plan for the delivery of child and adolescent services throughout the province. The process involves meeting with key persons in various areas of the province to determine the needs of the particular area. Basically the Co-Directors are promoting the coordination of services amongst the departments of Health and Fitness, Community Services and Education. It is hoped that a draft of the model for the delivery of services will be finalized by the latter part of 1989. This draft will be shared with all interested parties to illicit feedback so a final document can be put together.

Simultaneously, attempts are being made to deal with the tremendous and immediate demands for services for children in crisis. A facility in New Glasgow (an adolescent emergency assessment centre) has been approved and will open in October or November 1989. In addition, an emergency bed facility of between 10 and 15 beds has been approved for the metropolitan area and should open during the summer of 1989. Several other plans are being made, for example, specialized foster home programs, assessment resources, new approaches for dealing with emergency and urgent cases, and a possible increase in clinical resources.

The Co-Directors also have a "hands-on" responsibility for the overall management and direction of the Nova Scotia Residential Centre. Along with their responsibilities for overall clinical direction, the Co-Directors will develop a system to monitor and evaluate residential programs on a regular basis. As well, the Co-Directors will face the priority and challenge of the current absence of an admissions policy. The creation of standardized admissions criteria and, eventually, a centralized province-wide admissions process has been designated as a priority. (See Table 3 and Chart 1.)

Services to Unmarried Mothers

Services are provided to single parents to help them plan for themselves and their children before or after the birth of a child. A range of services are provided to ensure that the health, social and emotional needs of the single parent and child are met. In general, the mother's needs for service are more acute than the father's because of the physical and psychological aspects of pregnancy and the legal responsibilities she carries for the child. Consequently, the services offered to the single parent are primarily geared towards meeting the needs of the mother and her child.

A comprehensive service to single parents touches upon the present (the crisis of the pregnancy and what to do about it), the past (the circumstances that led to the pregnancy) and the future (how best to plan for the child and parent). The single-parent worker encourages single parents to move through the crisis by drawing upon their personal strengths.

Children's aid societies, family and children's services agencies, the Department of Community Services, the Home of the Guardian Angel and the Antigonish Diocesan Charities provided such services in 1988-89. Homes providing facilities to unmarried mothers are the Home of the Guardian Angel (Halifax), Bethany Home for Girls (Halifax) and Parkdale House (Sydney). (See Table 4.)

The Parkdale and Bethany Salvation Army homes have a parenting skills development program. The program is offered to young mothers who plan to keep their babies but lack parenting skills. Mothers live in with their babies for periods of up to four months and are assisted in developing parenting skills and in finding suitable living arrangements.

Adoption Services

Nineteen social agencies provide adoption services in Nova Scotia. These include 13 children's aid societies and family and children's services agencies, four district offices of the Department of Community Services, and two child-placing agencies operated under the auspices of the Catholic dioceses of Halifax and Antigonish.

The Department of Community Services also provides a Nova Scotia Exchange where information concerning special-needs children requiring adoption homes may be circulated to children's services agencies throughout the province.

In 1988-89, 460 adoptions were completed, for 239 boys and 221 girls. The number of healthy infants available for adoption is declining, with an increase in the need for adoption homes for special-needs children.

The Department of Community Services also maintains a passive Adoption Reunion Register whereby adult adoptees, adoptive parents and birth parents may register their wishes for adoption information or personal contact with an adoption principal. Non-identifying information will be provided on written request and, if a registry match occurs, the principals will be advised that a reunion can be effected. In the past year we have seen an increase in reunions as a result of registry matches.

A discreet inquiry can be conducted on behalf of an adoption principal if there is a pressing medical or psychiatric need to know or if the adoptee was legitimate at birth. Discreet inquiries can also be conducted if the adoptee's birth parents married each other after the child's birth or if they lived in a common-law relationship at the time of the child's birth or subsequent to the birth. In 1988-89, approximately 1,092 post-adoption inquiries were received. (See Table 5 and Chart 2.)

Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency

In 1985 the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency of Nova Scotia was incorporated for the purpose of assuming complete legislative authority for child welfare services on Indian Reserves in Nova Scotia.

A Canada–Nova Scotia–Indian Child Welfare Committee was formed and consists of two representatives from the federal Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, two Chiefs from the Micmac Bands and two representatives from the Nova Scotia Department of Community Services. This tripartite committee is responsible for monitoring and assisting in the development of the agency.

On October 1, 1988, 52 Indian children in care and custody were transferred from existing agencies to the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency.

On August 1, 1988, Mr. Neil Kennedy was appointed as the coordinator to the tripartite committee to assist its work.

The agency continues in its efforts to acquire the necessary expertise to offer all legislative authority. This is being accomplished by having agency staff attend the Micmac Bachelor of Social Work program at the Maritime School of Social Work and work jointly with social workers from other provincial agencies.

Family Counselling Services

Funding in the form of grants is provided to family counselling programs by the Department of Community Services and the family services of eastern Nova Scotia in the counties of Antigonish, Guysborough, Pictou, Richmond, Inverness, Victoria and Cape Breton, and to the Association for Family Life in the cities of Halifax and Dartmouth, and in Halifax County. These counselling services are used heavily to augment protection services.

Five children's services agencies are funded to provide therapy. The Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County, the Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County, the Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County and the Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County all have full-time counsellors. The Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County has a counsellor working one day a week.

The agencies provide counselling in areas such as family violence, sexual abuse, parenting skills, child and adolescent issues, assertiveness training, personal counselling, marital and family counselling, and custody and access mediation.

The family therapists are also involved in many community, educational and preventive services.

Transition Houses

The Department provides funding to transition houses for battered women. These houses are open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and provide temporary safe shelter for physically, emotionally and sexually battered women and their children. Staff offer support, counselling and advocacy services and refer the residents to a wide range of community services.

The Department, through the Minister's Committee on Family Violence, facilitates the overall coordination of policy development in the area of family violence. The committee also is an important mechanism for information sharing among the transition houses and various departments and agencies that have a policy and/or service delivery role in cases of family violence. Administrative support and travel costs for attendance at the quarterly meetings of the committee are covered by the Department. During the 1987/88 fiscal year the Department was actively involved in consultations with Health and Welfare Canada on the development of a national strategy for addressing the problems of family violence in Canada.

The Department initiated an ongoing financial formula that began on January 1, 1983, and provides transition houses with 75% of their approved budgets.

Transition House	**Capacity**	**1988-89 Approved Budget**	**75%**
Bryony House	24	$326,443	$244,832
Cape Breton Transition House	20	228,231	171,173
Tearmann House	15	181,496	136,122
Juniper House	15	160,465	120,348
Chrysalis House	15	190,078	142,448
Harbour House	15	174,968	131,226
Third Place (opened January 1989)	15	47,938	35,953

As a result of a recommendation made in the *Report of the Task Force on Family and Children's Services,* transition house budgets were adjusted to include funding for the equivalent of one full-time child care worker position, effective October 1, 1987.

Day Care Services

Greg Gammon, M.S.W., Director

Day Care Services is responsible for the administration and enforcement of the Day Care Act of 1978 and its regulations. This includes the licensing, monitoring and development of all day care facilities for children, both full-day and part-day programs, throughout Nova Scotia (see Tables 6 and 7). The result of this program is the provision of services pertinent to "a child's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual development apart from the children's parents or guardian" (Day Care Act of 1978, 2[a]).

This service also processes applications for families who are applying for day care assistance and provides subsidy payments to 52 registered day care centres in Nova Scotia. Currently, 2,011 subsidized spaces are provided for children of families who qualify for financial assistance based on their social and economic need. On March 31, 1989, 1,693 families were receiving day care assistance for their children who were enrolled in registered day care centres in the province at a cost of $6,849,947.36. (See Chart 3.)

As of March 31, 1989, 52 registered day care centres and 281 privately operated day care facilities, both full-day and part-day, were licensed under the Day Care Act and Regulations. Thirty new, privately operated facilities had received a license from the Minister of Community Services during the year enabling them to provide day care for young children.

Besides the subsidy payments provided to the registered day care facilities on behalf of the families who qualify for day care assistance, the Department provides a grant to the 33 child development centres that are included in the total number of licensed facilities. The grant is to a maximum of 50% of their operating expenses, based on the proportion of economically disadvantaged children attending the centre.

Child Development Services Training Program

Child Development Services is a joint endeavour of the Department of Community Services and the Department of Education to provide training for anyone wishing to have a special qualification as a worker with young children in day care facilities. Through the leadership of Dr. Jane Norman and her staff, the program is offered at the Nova Scotia Teachers College in Truro and at the Froebel Institute for Early Childhood Education in Princeport, Colchester County. The program has four facets:

1. A basic two-year full-time diploma program in child development and early childhood education, with a first-year enrollment in 1988-89 of 125, and 100 in the second year.
2. A one-year diploma program in special education for children with developmental handicaps. The two-year child development services program, or an equivalent, is a prerequisite for this year of study.
3. An extension or in-service program consisting of one evening a week within the student's own community, coordinated by a graduate of the program, and Saturday sessions at the Froebel Institute. In 1988-89 the extension program operated at 16 locations throughout Nova Scotia, at three in New Brunswick and at one in Newfoundland; in all, 350 students were registered.

4. The Atlantic Summer School for Child Care, a 14-day session in June at the Froebel Institute and the Nova Scotia Teachers College. This program is part of the extension division and serves students working on child development services certificates and others seeking enrichment for their work in day care facilities, nursery schools and child care centres. The summer school is a requirement for students enrolled in Level IV of the extension program.

The Atlantic Summer School for Child Care has three divisions: normal child development and programming, special education, and administration and management. The program in June 1988 had 140 registered students, with an instructional staff from Nova Scotia, the United Kingdom, the United States, and other Canadian provinces.

While studying at the summer school, students have an opportunity to observe children's learning activities in the Princeport Playgroup, an early childhood education centre for children located at the Froebel Institute for Early Childhood Education.

Young Offender and Court Services

John T. "Jock" MacKinnon, M.S.W., Director

The Family Court

The Family Court for the Province of Nova Scotia provides a forum for hearing legal matters related to family issues such as family maintenance, family violence and child protection. It is also a Youth Court, hearing matters involving young persons charged under the Young Offenders Act (Canada) and the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act (Nova Scotia). Although the Family Court is a court of record, it is not open to the public, except for matters heard under the Young Offenders Act.

The following legislation and matters relating thereto are heard in the Family Court:

- Family Maintenance Act
- Maintenance Orders Enforcement Act
- Children's Services Act
- Young Offenders Act (Canada)
- Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act (Nova Scotia)
- Employment of Children Act

- Section 168 of the Criminal Code respecting people who endanger the morals of children
- Section 197 of the Criminal Code regarding people who fail to provide the necessities for life for children under the age of 16 or for a spouse
- Sections 245, 745 and 666 of the Criminal Code dealing with common assaults or threats involving husband and wife or parent and child
- Infants' Custody Act
- sections of the Solemnization of Marriage Act relating to the performance of marriage and applications from persons under the age of 16 desirous of permission to marry, and
- other Acts or matters as the Governor-in-Council may from time to time approve.

The Family Court may also hear applications to vary divorce orders that are registered with the Family Court as they relate to custody and access, and hear applications under the Education Act.

Family Court Judges are authorized to hold proceedings throughout the province, although it is customary for each Judge to be assigned a particular geographical area. Family Court Judges are Youth Court Judges pursuant to an Order-in-Council, 1984, which allows for hearing matters under the Young Offenders Act. The Judges are as follows, with their assigned areas:

W. Marshall Black (Chief Judge)	Annapolis, Kings and Hants counties
J. Vernon MacDonald	Cape Breton and Victoria counties
Robert Ferguson	Cape Breton and Richmond counties
Darrel W. Wilson	Cape Breton and Inverness counties
Robert White	Antigonish, Guysborough and Pictou counties
Elizabeth Roscoe	Halifax
Robert Butler	Halifax
Louis E. Moir	Halifax
Timothy Daley	Halifax
Paul S. Niedermayer	Dartmouth, and Lunenburg County
John D. Comeau	Yarmouth, Shelburne, Queens and Digby counties
David Milner	Cumberland and Colchester counties
Margaret Stewart	Annapolis and Kings counties
R. James Williams	Dartmouth
Corrine Sparks	Pictou and Colchester counties and West Hants

Robert Hebb	Lunenburg and Queens counties
James C. Wilson	Antigonish, Guysborough and Pictou counties
Robert Levy	Halifax and Kings counties

During the fiscal year, two Family Court Judges were appointed: James C. Wilson on July 25th and Robert Levy on August 30th, 1988.

Support services attached to the Court are administered by the Family and Children's Services Division of the Department of Community Services. They are the responsibility of seven regional administrators of the Department under the day-to-day supervision of a Family Court supervisor, district supervisors, casework supervisors and/or senior Family Court officers.

Family Court Services

In support of the judiciary, the following services are an integral part of the Family Court in the Province of Nova Scotia.

Intake Services

Intake services determine and assess the nature of a problem and initiate appropriate action. In the three Court centres of Halifax, Dartmouth and Sydney, intake services are provided by intake social workers. In other areas of the province, Family Court officers are responsible for this service.

Counselling Services

Short-term counselling is offered to clients of the Family Court at intake or on referral by Judges of the Court, through staff initiatives or referral by other social agencies. Families and/or individuals requiring long-term counselling are referred to appropriate ancillary services in the community.

Enforcement Services

E. Hal Grainger, Coordinator

Orders for maintenance (payment of financial support from one spouse to the other) are enforced through the Family Court. When maintenance payments are in default, the Court, by letter, summons or warrant, requires the defaulting person to appear before the Court to explain the matter. The Court has the power to garnishee wages, to order that the defaulting person pay larger amounts to cover money in arrears, or to impose incarceration for non-payment. In certain circumstances, the Court may order that arrears be excused or that the order be varied, suspended or rescinded.

Enforcement Services, working out of 11 offices throughout Nova Scotia, ensure that orders for maintenance paid through the Family Court are properly enforced. This is done by constant review and follow-up of registered orders, and divorces and agreements directing enforcement through the Family Court.

The program, enhanced by a full-time provincial coordinator, has advanced in a number of directions. Automation of the enforcement program is rapidly nearing completion. This will greatly increase the ability to detect orders which are in default on a more timely basis. Realignment of caseloads opened a new enforcement service in Antigonish to serve both Guysborough and Antigonish counties.

Federal legislation under Part II of the Family Orders and Agreements Enforcement Assistance Act (FOAEA) now permits the Crown to garnishee monies owed to persons. Funds of $15,602 have to date been garnished on 35 summonses submitted from Nova Scotia. Expanded use of this legislation will greatly assist in enforcement.

Part I of the above legislation, relating to the tracing of defaulters, provides for searches through designated provincial and federal data banks to determine the addresses of those in default of maintenance, custody and access orders. Of the 151 searches conducted during 1988, 87, or 57%, produced a different address than that known.

Total maintenance dollars processed by Family Court enforcement in the fiscal year increased by $800,000 over fiscal 1987/88 to a total of $15,837,057.96. Additionally, fines totalling $10,338.10 were collected through the Family Courts.

For more specific statistics on enforcement services of the Family Court, please refer to Tables 8 and 9.

Young Offender Services

G.M. Bowers, M.S.W., Supervisor, Young Offender and Court Services

Young offender services are provided to young persons charged with offences under the Young Offenders Act (Canada) and/or the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act (Nova Scotia). The services include:

- preparing pre-disposition reports
- supervising probation orders
- supervising community service orders
- maintaining youth in facilities approved by the provincial director, and
- supervising and working with young people committed to open or secure custody pursuant to the Act.

Services to young offenders of ages 12-17 are the shared responsibility of the Department of Community Services and the Department of the Solicitor General. An interdepartmental committee oversees the provision of services, addressing common issues to ensure consistency and to minimize duplication of services.

Nineteen probation officers under the supervision of casework supervisors provide ongoing supervision and direction to youth placed on probation or maintained in foster homes or other facilities as a condition of probation. They are responsible for the preparation of pre-disposition and progress reports, overseeing community dispositions made by the Court, and maintaining contact with young persons and staff in custodial facilities in preparation for a youth's eventual reintegration into the community.

For more detailed statistical information on youth appearing in Court, please refer to Tables 10–12.

Young Offender Community Development Project

Julia Barry, Coordinator

The Young Offender Community Development Project is a three-year demonstration project jointly funded by the Department of Community Services and the federal Department of Justice. On February 17, 1988, a new memorandum of agreement was signed between the two departments extending the Young Offender Community Development Project for a period covering January 1 to October 31, 1988. At present the Department of Community Services is waiting for recommendations from an external evaluation conducted by DPA, Inc. prior to making decisions regarding the ongoing delivery of services.

New agreements were signed with the seven private societies, who provide the four programs to young offenders and victims throughout the province, on September 12, 1988. These agreements are non-date specific, i.e., the societies will continue to operate the programs until such time as decisions are made by the Department regarding future service delivery.

The four programs provided are the (1) Alternative Measures Program, (2) Community Service Order Program, (3) Volunteer Program and (4) Public Information and Awareness Program. A provincial advisory committee continues to oversee the administration of the project.

The seven societies providing services under agreement, and the geographic areas they service, are as follows:

Society	**Geographic Area Served**
Amherst YMCA Youth Alternative Project	Cumberland County
Island Alternative Measures Society	Cape Breton Island
Southwest Alternative Measures Program	Digby, Yarmouth and Shelburne counties
Youth Alternative Society	Halifax, Lunenburg and Queens counties
Truro Boys and Girls Club (Options for Youth Program)	Colchester County and East Hants
John Howard Society Alternative Measures Program	Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough counties
Kinsmen Club of Kentville and District (Valley Young Offender Community Development Project)	Annapolis and Kings counties and West Hants

One of the objectives of the project is to test the feasibility of involving community agencies and volunteers, working in partnership with youth justice personnel, in the delivery of services to young offenders and victims. Youth justice and community support for the project has grown dramatically since its inception. At the end of the first year of programming, 71% of police across the province were making referrals to the Alternative Measures Program. As of December 31, 1988, this figure has risen to 93%. Currently 575 community service placements are available across the province to provide volunteer work for youth as part of a disposition or as a term of agreement through the Alternative Measures Program. Two hundred and fifty-one volunteers are providing front-line service across the province.

As of March 31, 1989, 58% of agreements reached in the Alternative Measures Program have involved a period of community service. Currently, in excess of 15,000 hours of community service have been provided by youth, over $9,500 has been paid in restitution to victims, more than one thousand hours of work has been done directly for victims, and in excess of $6,300 has been paid in donations. Victims have participated in Alternative Measures hearings in 40% of the cases.

Between April 1, 1988, and March 31, 1989, 825 referrals were made to the Alternative Measures Program, 301 were made to the Community Service Order Program, and 34 to the Volunteer Program. Four percent of Alternative Measures agreements and 14% of Community Service Order cases resulted in non-completion.

In addition to full-time staff and volunteers, branch coordinators assist in the delivery of services in the municipalities of Digby, Shelburne, Antigonish and Port Hawkesbury.

Statistics regarding referrals to the programs by region are provided in Table 13.

Custodial Facilities

Two facilities in Nova Scotia are approved for young offenders of ages 12–15 and designated pursuant to the Young Offenders Act and Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act: the Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre and the Shelburne Youth Centre.

Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre

Ann Shears, Director

This centre, located in Sydney, has a capacity for 10 male youths. Female youth are provided residence in Proctor Homes in the immediate area and, although separate and apart from male residents, they participate in all programs offered at the centre.

The centre is an approved facility for placement of young offenders as a condition of probation to reside pursuant to the Young Offenders Act.

The facility emphasizes community interaction whereby the residents utilize community resources such as schools, churches and recreation facilities. Individual and group programs offered at the centre complement community resources while providing necessary supervision in an open-custody setting.

Table 14 shows detailed statistics for the facility during the period.

Shelburne Youth Centre

Mr. Hekki Muinonen, Superintendent

During the fiscal year, 172 youth were committed to the Shelburne Youth Centre. In addition, 121 youth were remanded, 70 to temporary detention and 51 to detention for assessment. This resulted in a total of 293 admissions for the period, of which 80% were male offenders.

During the summer of 1988 the open-custody program operated by the Solicitor General on the campus of the Shelburne Youth Centre moved to its new facility in Waterville. Shortly following that move, secure custody for youth under 16 years of age was assumed by that facility. The Shelburne secure-custody designation was then utilized for administrative transfers, pursuant to the Young Offenders Act.

At present the centre provides open custody and temporary detention for youth under 16 years of age, and open, secure custody and temporary detention for female youth 12–17 years of age.

The receiving unit program commenced the previous fiscal year has been highly successful, coping well with the large numbers of youth being admitted. The work life skills unit commenced in August 1988. This program is for older youth with emphasis on work skills and part-time education. It is permeated by a life skills orientation. With a system of monetary incentives implemented, it is working well, enjoyed by both staff and residents and showing excellent potential.

The centre also operates an academic unit for young offenders, and female units for both open and secure custody commitals.

A fundamental change in the structure of the youth centre began to evolve with extensive consultations among youth centre staff, youth centre advisory board members, head office staff and other interested and informed community sources.

The number of days of care given during the period was slightly less than 15,000 in open custody, similar to the previous year. About 2,500 days of care was provided in secure custody and remands.

A high proportion of short commitals continued throughout most of the year, causing occasional operational difficultes to programs that are focused on term goals for the residents.

Twenty percent of youth admitted during the period were over 16 years of age.

The differentiated program that commenced in the receiving and life skills units will continue in the future in an attempt to meet the needs of young persons.

Detailed statistics for the Shelburne Youth Centre are found in Table 15.

Table 1

Children's Aid Society, Family and Children's Services and District Office Statistics*

			Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
1.	(a)	No. of children in care and custody on April 1, 1986	50	167	37	70
	(b)	No. of children committed to care and custody during the period	5	29	7	13
	(c)	No. of children committed to care and custody who were placed under care by transfer of legal guardianship	—	—	—	—
	(d)	No. of children transferred into district	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
	(e)	Total of (a) (b) (c) (d)	55	196	44	83
	(f)	No. of children whose care and custody ended during period				
		(1) by coming of age	9	17	—	4
		(2) by adoption	1	9	4	2
		(3) by marriage	1	—	—	—
		(4) by Court order	1	15	5	3
		(5) by death	—	1	—	—
	(g)	Transfers by legal guardianship	—	36	6	—
	(h)	No. of children transferred out of district	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
	(i)	Total of (f) (g) (h)	12	75	15	9
	(j)	No. of children in care and custody on March 31, 1989	43	121	29	74
	(k)	Total no. of children taken into care and custody since society founding	846	3,487	1,080	1,506

*Services to unmarried mothers noted on separate table.

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Micmac F. & C.S. of N.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
174	44	9	83	75	—	95	23	47	45	31	130	31	17	41	1,169
27	4	9	24	8	—	15	1	4	1	—	30	1	3	3	184
—	—	—	—	—	55	—	—	—	—	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	55
N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	—	—	—	—	1	1
201	48	18	107	83	55	110	24	51	46	31	160	32	20	45	1,409
18	1	—	12	10	1	4	2	3	4	4	7	2	4	8	110
19	—	—	—	12	—	12	2	2	4	4	9	1	—	—	81
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
3	2	—	1	—	1	6	—	6	5	1	—	—	1	—	50
—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
—	6	2	—	1	—	7	—	—	—	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	55
N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	—	1	—	—	—	1
40	9	2	13	23	2	30	4	11	13	9	17	3	5	8	300
161	39	16	94	60	53	80	20	40	33	22	143	29	15	37	1,109
2,619	818	39	1,303	829	—	1,505	508	509	891	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	15,940

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(Table 1 continued)

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
2. No. of children committed to care and custody during the period who were				
(a) Protestant	2	6	3	10
Roman Catholic	2	21	4	2
Other/No finding	1	2	—	1
(b) Boys	3	13	1	7
Girls	2	16	6	6
(c) Children of unmarried mothers	3	4	3	3
(d) Others in need of protection	2	25	4	10
3. No. of children in care and custody at end of period who were				
(a) Protestant	28	50	25	63
Roman Catholic	11	61	2	10
Other/No finding	4	10	2	1
(b) Boys	22	64	18	33
Girls	21	57	11	41
(c) Under 5 years of age	2	6	—	5
5 and under 10 years of age	3	5	1	7
10 and under 15 years of age	5	41	11	12
15 and under 19 years of age	29	60	12	35
19 to 20 years of age	4	9	5	15

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Micmac F. & C.S. of N.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
9	1	1	11	—	—	9	1	3	1	—	1	1	2	—	61
1	—	5	1	—	—	5	—	1	—	—	8	—	1	1	52
17	3	3	12	8	—	1	—	—	—	—	21	—	—	2	71
15	2	3	9	4	—	8	—	2	1	—	11	1	2	—	82
12	2	6	15	4	—	7	1	2	—	—	19	—	1	3	102
3	2	4	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	2	—	1	—	27
24	2	5	24	8	—	13	1	4	1	—	28	1	2	3	157
54	16	5	70	14	2	54	18	34	14	4	20	21	7	25	524
27	6	9	8	4	51	23	2	5	19	18	41	8	8	6	319
80	17	2	16	42	—	3	—	1	—	—	82	—	—	6	266
83	18	7	38	30	24	39	12	16	20	12	72	15	5	16	544
78	21	9	56	30	29	41	8	24	13	10	71	14	10	21	565
16	2	3	3	1	4	15	—	—	1	1	16	1	2	2	80
16	4	6	16	—	15	15	—	4	2	4	20	1	1	1	121
43	12	3	27	22	15	16	6	11	11	6	32	10	1	10	294
71	14	2	47	30	17	26	11	19	13	6	63	14	7	19	495
15	7	2	1	7	2	8	3	6	6	5	12	3	4	5	119

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(Table 1 continued)

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
4. No. of children under care and custody on March 31, 1989, who were				
(a) in foster homes	29	73	20	51
(b) in independent living/boarding homes/ Independence House	9	20	—	1
(c) in adoption probation homes	—	4	—	3
(d) in N.S. Residential Centre	—	—	—	1
(e) in residential centres	—	2	—	—
(f) in S.O.S. Village	—	—	—	1
(g) in Bairncroft	—	1	—	—
(h)) in N.S. Home for Coloured Children	—	1	—	—
(i) in Shelburne Youth Centre	—	—	—	—
(j) in Young Offenders Act Community Facility	—	—	2	—
(k) in N.S.Y.T.C./C.T.C.'s	1	5	3	3
(l) in free homes	—	2	—	—
(m) self-supporting	2	1	—	3
(n) with own parents	2	2	2	4
(o) in Group Homes	—	6	1	2
(p) other	—	4	1	5
5. Volume of Service in cases active during the fiscal year				
(a) Adoptions				
(1) Inquiries re: agency adoption	26	38	24	15
(2) Applications approved	5	10	1	—
(3) Homes on wait list, March 31, 1989	9	10	5	11
(4) Adoption reports submitted: 1st report	5	67	19	10
(reports include agency and private) 2nd report	4	55	18	10
supplementary	2	5	7	4

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Micmac F. & C.S. of N.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
60	26	13	56	33	46	47	13	22	22	10	58	15	9	22	625
47	1	1	6	4	—	—	2	6	2	1	26	6	3	8	143
8	—	—	10	2	—	8	—	—	1	2	11	—	1	—	50
6	1	—	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	1	18
2	1	—	1	1	—	2	—	2	—	—	5	—	—	2	18
3	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	1	—	2	6	—	—	1	17
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
5	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	1	9
—	1	—	3	—	—	3	—	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	9
2	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	7
1	1	1	1	—	—	7	—	2	4	—	5	—	—	—	34
2	3	—	—	2	3	—	2	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	15
6	1	—	6	9	—	2	—	2	2	2	—	2	—	—	38
7	—	—	6	5	2	4	2	4	—	—	6	2	1	2	51
6	3	—	1	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	22
6	1	—	1	3	1	4	—	—	1	3	19	3	—	—	52
57	19	24	37	22	—	61	1	9	9	9	161	33	1	—	546
21	1	3	22	10	—	—	13	—	5	11	14	3	3	—	122
26	2	13	6	14	—	—	—	3	5	17	29	9	10	—	159
13	15	10	33	18	—	31	4	6	15	11	114	7	9	—	387
9	20	16	24	21	—	32	4	10	15	10	97	6	9	—	360
2	2	6	5	2	—	3	0	1	0	2	13	2	0	—	56

(Cont'd)

(Table 1 continued)

		Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.
(b)	Children taken into care, April 1, 1988–March 31, 1989				
	(1) Registered Agreements, Sec. 8, C.S. Act	18	64	38	22
	(2) Registered Agreements, Sec. 10, C.S. Act	1	10	3	3
	(3) Under Sec. 45.1, C.S. Act	5	61	8	20
	(4) Care and custody by Court order	5	29	7	13
(c)	Total no. of children in care under (b) on March 31, 1989	52	189	50	89
(d)	Children being supervised from other provinces on March 31, 1989	—	2	3	1
(e)	Children provided protection in own homes during year	721	2,174	616	174
(f)	Foster homes				
	(1) Inquiries	24	68	21	23
	(2) No. of applications to foster approved	7	15	3	18
	(3) No. of foster homes in use, March 31, 1989	25	97	13	60
(g)	Protection—abuse and neglect				
	(1) No. cases carried over, April 1, 1988	50	707	42	50
	(2) No. of new cases during year	55	341	138	69
	(3) No. of cases carried over, March 31, 1989	42	829	45	72
	Protection—family support				
	(1) No. of cases carried over, April 1, 1988	55	103	60	12
	(2) No. of new cases during year	83	275	122	17
	(3) No. of cases carried over, March 31, 1989	53	82	59	11
(h)	Number of miscellaneous intakes	86	36	132	342
(i)	Family counsellor intakes	80	—	241	148
(j)	Family counsellor sessions	298	—	988	523

*Children already in care and custody who were transferred over to the Micmac Family and Children's Services

Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S.	Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Micmac F. & C.S. of N.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Sackville District Office	Total
90	28	1	28	39	—	9	11	13	24	1	128	18	2	63	597
1	—	—	1	—	—	4	—	—	—	2	4	1	—	—	30
100	12	16	36	14	—	13	1	15	1	—	69	—	9	13	393
27	4	9	24	8	—	15	1	4	1	—	30	1	3	3	184
254	62	19	111	81	*53	101	28	51	44	26	222	40	19	76	1,567
1	1	1	3	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	15
724	559	415	850	827	—	413	205	278	208	159	1,820	208	104	465	10,920
93	18	26	46	39	—	13	13	12	16	—	92	11	4	—	519
14	1	4	9	60	—	2	—	2	6	—	19	—	3	—	163
72	26	12	48	31	—	2	13	19	22	7	80	15	7	—	549
165	71	3	94	117	—	55	33	4	45	20	608	62	5	237	2,368
83	168	11	88	70	—	73	23	23	41	24	503	82	2	290	2,093
145	126	3	66	124	—	63	26	8	31	26	617	62	2	187	2,474
151	86	110	63	120	—	94	44	61	38	23	87	49	33	137	1,326
142	27	105	116	80	—	103	19	78	138	9	83	40	29	115	1,581
159	31	79	108	129	—	79	19	61	50	17	118	44	37	113	1,249
552	50	12	391	86	—	89	29	74	22	68	9	13	15	53	2,059
—	—	—	—	128	—	—	—	89	—	—	—	—	—	—	686
—	—	—	—	701	—	—	—	215	—	—	—	—	—	—	2,276

Mrs. Eva Fehr, Secretary, Young Offenders and Court Services

Table 2

Voluntary Care Agreements Under the Children's Services Act Registered with the Department of Community Services

1988/89

Agency	Number of Agreements Signed		
	Section 8*		Section 10
F. & C.S. of Annapolis County	18	18	1
Antigonish Diocesan Charities	—	—	6
C.A.S. of Cape Breton	71	64	10
C.A.S. & F.S. of Colchester County	42	38	3
F. & C.S. of Cumberland County	22	22	3
C.A.S. of Halifax	94	90	1
F. & C.S. Hants County	30	28	—
Home of the Guardian Angel	—	—	16
C.A.S. of Inverness-Richmond	1	1	—
F. & C.S. of Kings County	29	28	1
F. & C.S. of Lunenburg County	49	39	—
F. & C.S. of Pictou County	10	9	4
F. & C.S. of Queens County	13	11	—
C.A.S. of Shelburne County	14	13	—
F. & C.S. of Yarmouth County	26	24	—
District Offices			
Antigonish	1	1	2
Dartmouth	151	128	4
Digby	18	18	1
Guysborough	2	2	—
Sackville	75	63	—
TOTAL**	666	597	52

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* Extensions are not counted as separate agreements in the Section 8 totals. Total number of children in voluntary care under Section 8 was 597. However, there were 666 agreements signed, 69 of which were separate agreements, but for the same child or children.

** The totals on this table include agreements signed through the Antigonish Diocesan Charities and the Home of the Guardian Angel.

Table 3

Child Caring Facilities Statistics

1988-89

			Bairncroft	Home of the Guardian Angel	Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children	Boys Residential Centre	Residential Centre Halifax	Residential Centre Hebron	Nova Scotia Residential Centre
1.	(a)	No. of children resident on April 1, 1988	8	1	24	11	10	12	37
	(b)	No. of admissions during the year	43	28	103	12	5	13	41
	(c)	Total of (a) and (b)	51	29	127	23	15	25	78
	(d)	No. of discharges during the year	44	29	106	14	7	19	43
	(e)	No. of children resident on March 31, 1989	7	—	21	9	8	6	35
2.		**No. of admissions during the year who were**							
	(a)	boys	13	17	45	12	—	10	18
	(b)	girls	30	11	58	—	5	3	23
3.		**No. of persons on staff of the facility**							
	(a)	Superintendent	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	(b)	Social Workers	1	2+ 1 p.t.	1	—	1	—	—
	(c)	Nurses	—	3+ 3 p.t.	—	—	—	—	—
	(d)	Counsellors	5+ 1 p.t.	—	2	7	1	—	28
	(e)	Child Care Staff	—	—	10	—	8	7	—
	(f)	Houseparents	—	—	—	—	—	1	—
	(g)	Domestic	—	—	2	1	1	—	2
	(h)	Cook	1 p.t.	—	1	1	1	—	3
	(i)	Other	—	—	1	1	1	1	12
	(j)	Total number of staff	9	10	18	11	14	10	46
4.		**No. of persons on staff of the facility**							
	(a)	Group Home Parent(s)	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(b)	Superintendent	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(c)	Social Workers	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(d)	Nurses	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(e)	Counsellors	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(f)	Child Care Staff	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(g)	Houseparents	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(h)	Domestic	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(i)	Cook	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(j)	Other	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	(k)	Total number of staff	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Genesis House*	D.H. Johnson House	Dept. of Social Services Ind. Home	F. & C.S. of Hants Co. Group Home	F. & C.S. of Lunenburg Co. Group Home	Hawthorne House	Jubien House	Liscombe Group Home	Ramsay House	Shelburne Group Home	Sisters of the Good Shepherd Group Home	S.O.S. Children's Village	Whitney Avenue Group Home	Y.M.C.A. Walnut St. Group Home	Total
5	9	2	6	4	7	8	6	6	2	4	19	6	3	190
15	80	7	15	3	84	58	14	22	22	2	8	6	20	601
20	89	9	21	7	91	66	20	28	24	6	27	12	23	791
13	82	6	16	7	84	57	16	21	23	1	10	8	19	625
7	7	3	5	—	7	9	4	7	1	5	17	4	4	166
9	—	—	15	2	84	—	14	15	7	—	7	—	20	288
6	80	7	—	1	—	58	—	7	15	2	1	6	—	313
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	44
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	16
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	118
—	—	2	—	2	—	—	2	—	2	—	2	2	2	14
1	1	—	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	6½	—	4	—	6½	6½	—	4	—	1	—	—	—	33½
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	5	—	—	8
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	7½	2	5	2	7½	7½	2	4	2	4	7	2	2	60½

*Previously called the Children's Aid Society of Halifax Group Home.

Table 4

Services to Unmarried Mothers and Children by Child Placing Agencies and Maternity Homes

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.	Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C
1. No. of active unmarried mother cases on April 1, 1988	1	21	12	3	15	3	3
2. No. of cases opened during the year	3	34	23	9	27	12	10
3. No. of cases closed during the year	4	40	21	7	34	7	6
4. No. of active cases open on March 31, 1989	—	15	14	5	8	8	7
5. Residence of unmarried mother (No. 2) In Nova Scotia	3	33	23	9	27	12	10
Outside Nova Scotia	—	1	—	—	—	—	—
6. Ages of unmarried mothers counselled (No. 2) 15 and under	—	2	4	1	1	3	—
16 - 20	2	13	12	7	14	7	8
21 - 25	—	12	6	1	8	2	2
26 - 30	1	6	1	—	3	—	—
31 - 35	—	1	—	—	1	—	—
36 and over	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
7. No. of children under care on April 1, 1988 (a) Child care facility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Foster home	—	—	—	—	18	—	—
(c) With mother	—	—	—	—	5	—	—
(d) Free home placement	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
8. No. of children admitted to care (a) Mother in unmarried mother program	1	18	3	3	6	1	—
(b) Mother unknown or child deserted	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(c) Referred by another agency	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
9. No. of children discharged from care (a) Child returned to mother's care	—	6	—	—	10	—	—
(b) Child taken into care and custody	—	3	—	—	3	—	—
(c) Child died	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Child referred to another agency	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(e) Notice of proposed adoption filed	1	6	3	3	4	1	—

*Error in last year's statistics

Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.*	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Home of the Guardian Angel	Antigonish Diocesan Charities	Salvation Army Bethany Home	Salvation Army Parkdale House*	Total
10	7	1	—	1	—	1	52	6	3	28	32	9	*10	218
22	16	29	3	6	8	3	126	5	1	80	36	18	15	486
24	16	28	2	7	6	3	127	7	4	93	27	18	22	503
8	7	2	1	—	2	1	51	4	—	15	41	9	3	201
21	16	29	3	6	8	2	120	5	1	74	36	15	14	467
1	—	—	—	—	—	1	6	—	—	6	—	3	1	19
—	4	3	—	2	—	—	7	—	—	9	2	3	1	42
16	8	20	3	—	5	2	97	5	1	41	21	10	6	298
4	4	5	—	3	2	1	17	—	—	22	10	—	5	104
2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	1	3	5	2	27
—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	5	—	—	1	9
—	—	1	—	—	1	—	2	—	—	2	—	—	—	6
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
—	—	—	—	—	*1	—	5	—	1	—	1	—	—	26
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	1	9
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
1	1	4	3	—	1	2	26	1	—	28	6	10	3	118
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	1	2	—	—	—	17	—	—	13	5	4	1	59
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	10
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	1	1	—	5
1	1	2	—	—	1	2	4	1	—	16	—	—	3	49

(Cont'd)

(Table 4 continued)

	Annapolis F. & C.S.	Cape Breton C.A.S.	Colchester C.A.S. & F.S.	Cumberland F. & C.S.	Halifax C.A.S.	Hants F. & C.S.	Inverness-Richmond C.A.S
10. No. of children under care, March 31, 1989							
(a) Child care facility	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(b) Foster home	—	3	—	—	9	—	—
(c) With mother	—	—	—	—	3	—	—
(d) Free home placement	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11. No. of children in No. 10 who were							
(a) Protestant	—	—	—	—	11	—	—
(b) Roman Catholic	—	3	—	—	1	—	—
(c) Other/No finding	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
(d) Boys	—	1	—	—	8	—	—
(e) Girls	—	2	—	—	4	—	—

Kings F. & C.S.	Lunenburg F. & C.S.	Pictou C.A.S.	Queens F. & C.S.	Shelburne C.A.S.	Yarmouth F. & C.S.*	Antigonish District Office	Dartmouth District Office	Digby District Office	Guysborough District Office	Home of the Guardian Angel	Antigonish Diocesan Charities	Salvation Army Bethany Home	Salvation Army Parkdale House*	Total
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
—	—	1	—	—	—	—	7	—	1	—	1	—	—	22
—	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	—	9
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
—	—	1	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	—	1	2	—	20
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1	6
—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	5
—	—	—	1	—	1	—	4	—	1	—	1	3	—	20
—	—	1	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—	1	—	11

Table 5

Adoption Services

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

A. Adoptions

1. Number of children adopted	460
2. Number of children in No. 1 placed by:	
a) Children's aid societies	78
b) Director of Family and Children's Services	23
c) Child caring institutions	44
d) Out-of-province agencies	2
e) Private — with relative	270
— with non-relative	40
f) Director and Children's aid society	3

3. Age of children at time of legal adoption

	Agency	Private Relative	Private Non-Relative	Total
Under 1 year	58	10	28	96
1 year	28	12	5	45
2 years	15	9	1	25
3 years	9	16	1	26
4 years	8	22	—	30
5 years	5	33	2	40
6 years	5	28	1	34
7 years	4	28	—	32
8 years	4	35	—	39
9 years	3	10	—	13
10 years	5	18	—	23
11 years	2	16	—	18
12 years	—	9	1	10
13 years	4	9	—	13
14 years	—	7	—	7
15 years	—	8	1	9
16 years	—	—	—	—

4. Place of birth of children in No. 1, by county:

(a)	Annapolis	1	Inverness	3
	Antigonish	19	Kings	18
	Cape Breton	62	Lunenburg	21
	Colchester	14	Pictou	22
	Cumberland	14	Queens	4
	Digby	9	Richmond	1
	Guysborough	1	Shelburne	7
	Halifax	164	Victoria	1
	Hants	4	Yarmouth	22
(b)	Out of province	73	Birthplace not available	—

5. **Number of children in No. 1 born:**

(a) Legitimate	119	(b) Illegitimate	341

6. **Religion of children in No. 1:**

(a) Protestant	213	(b) Roman Catholic	195	(c) Other	52

7. **Length of stay of children in adoption home prior to completion of adoption:**

Under 1 year	172	8 years	3
1 - 2 years	151	9 years	4
2 years	54	10 years	2
3 years	39	11 years	1
4 years	17	12 years	3
5 years	6	13 years	2
6 years	4	14 years	—
7 years	2	15 years	—

8. **Lapse of time between filing of notice and completion of adoption:**

Under 1 year	366	5 years	—
1 - 2 years	81	6 years	—
2 years	8	7 years	—
3 years	5	8 years	—
4 years	—	9 years	—

9. **Number of children in No. 1 adopted where a certificate was granted by the Minister for waiving of the 6 months waiting time:** 10

10. (a) **Number of children in No. 1 adopted by two parents:** 452
(b) **Number of children in No. 1 adopted by one parent:** 8

11. (a) **Boys**	239	(b) **Girls**	221

B. Adopting Parents

12. (a) **Classification of adopting father in No. 10(a) by age:**

21-29	155	60-69	2
30-39	207	70-79	2
40-49	66	Not available	7
50-59	21		

(b) **Classification of adopting mother in Nos. 10(a) and (b) by age:**

under 20	4	50-59	14
20-29	191	60-69	5
30-39	202	Not available	1
40-49	43		

13. **Residence of adopting parents in 10(a) and (b):**

Annapolis	8	Kings	24
Antigonish	10	Lunenburg	25
Cape Breton	73	Pictou	25
Colchester	22	Queens	7
Cumberland	12	Richmond	6
Digby	13	Shelburne	13
Guysborough	7	Victoria	4
Halifax	162	Yarmouth	17
Hants	19	Out of Province	2
Inverness	11		

(Cont'd)

(Table 5 Continued)

14. No. of children in No. 1 adopted into families:

(a) Owning a home	336	(b) Renting a home	124

15. Occupational classification of:

(a) **Adopting Fathers:**

Professional	48	Semi-Skilled Tradesman	11
Business	58	Labourer	71
Armed Services	34	Primary Industry	74
Skilled Tradesman	141	Not Available	23

(b) **Adopting Mothers:**

Housewife	214	Semi-Skilled Tradesman	29
Professional	40	Labourer	20
Business	18	Primary Industries	66
Armed Services	4	Not Available	6
Skilled Tradesman	63		

16. Classification of income of families adopting children in No. 1:

Under $7,000	7
$ 7,000 to 7,999	—
8,000 to 8,999	—
9,000 to 9,999	1
10,000 to 14,999	34
15,000 to 19,999	46
20,000 to 24,999	41
25,000 to 29,999	53
30,000 to 34,999	56
35,000 to 39,999	52
40,000 to 44,999	36
45,000 to 49,999	22
Over $50,000	109
Not stated	3

17. Religion of parents adopting in No. 1:

	Father	**Mother**
(a) Protestant	239	231
(b) Roman Catholic	163	181
(c) Other	50	47

Table 6

Day Care Services

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

	Private	Registered
Number of applications received	34	2
Number of applications pending previous year	17	0
Number of new centres licensed in 1988	30	2
Number of centres closed	22	0
Number of applications pending year-end	12	0
Number of licensed centres	281	52
Full day	89	52
Part day	192	0
Total licensed centres (private and registered)	333	
Licensed capacity	6,409	2,905
Full day	2,631	2,905
Part day	3,778	0
Total licensed capacity (private and registered)	9,314	
Number of visits to day care facilities by Head Office staff (private and registered)	580	

Table 7

Day Care Services
Regional Analysis of Centres and Spaces

March 31, 1989

	Halifax Region	Cape Breton Region	North Shore Region	Central Region	Valley Region	Western Region	South Shore Region	Total
Registered Centres	25	11	4	2	3	5	2	52
Subsidized Spaces	1,231	341	79	85	95	120	60	2,011
Non-Subsidized Spaces	481	134	91	16	59	63	50	894
Total Spaces	1,712	475	170	101	154	183	110	2,905
Private Centres and Child Development Centres	25	30	16	33	31	25	21	281
Private and CDC Spaces	3,270	668	297	685	639	448	402	6,409
Total Centres	150	41	20	35	34	30	23	333
Total Spaces	4,982	1,143	467	786	793	631	512	9,314

Table 8

Family Court Statistics: Enforcement Services by Region

April 1, 1988 – March 31, 1989

Location	Number of Cases where Court Order Issued	Number of Cases where Orders Were Discontinued	Number of Active Orders at Year-End	Number of Court Order Violations	Total Connections
Dartmouth	285	65	2,354	*	$2,225,745.19
Kentville	176	8	1,662	*	1,525,310.12
Halifax	466	30	1,428	729	2,698,524.07
Cape Breton	317	234	2,001	821	2,989,871.44
Port Hawkesbury	49	8	345	170	445,237.98
Lunenburg	94	26	787	275	725,931.78
North Shore (New Glasgow)	203	46	1,131	429	1,729,018.86
Central (Truro)	131	217	648	606	843,966.39
Cumberland (Amherst)	172	72	648	298	877,046.38
Antigonish	65	37	421	175	384,352.07
Western (Yarmouth)	238	150	994	1,332	1,392,053.68
Totals	2,196	893	12,419	4,835	$15,837,057.96

*Statistics not available.

Table 9

Family Court Collections:
Ten-Year Overview

1979-89

Year	**Collections**
1979-80	$4,722,780.35
1980-81	6,755,635.29
1981-82	7,867,966.06
1982-83	9,497,736.08
1983-84	11,010,931,28
1984-85	12,671,623.95
1985-86	14,445,817.74
1986-87	15,916,036.15
1987-88	15,059,564.74
1988-89	15,837,057.96
Total	$113,795,149.60

Table 10

Young Offenders by Statute

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

Federal Statutes	**Total**
Criminal Code of Canada	1,061
Narcotics Control Act	8
Food and Drug Act	1
Young Offenders Act	105
Other Federal Statues	3
Total	1,178
Provincial Statutes	**Total**
Motor Vehicle Act	60
Liquor Control Act	78
Application Pursuant to Education Act	17
Other Provincial Acts	29
Total	184

Note: Two Court locations were not included in this count—Antigonish and Guysborough.

Table 11

Offences Commited by Young Offenders by Statute

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

Federal Statutes	**Total**
Criminal Code of Canada	1,883
Narcotics Control Act	12
Food and Drug Act	4
Other Federal Statutes	3
Young Offenders Act (32)	206
Total	2,108
Provincial Statutes	**Total**
Motor Vehicle Act	91
Liquor Control Act	98
Application Pursuant to Education Act	18
Other Provincial Acts	40
Total	247

Note: Two Court locations were not included in this count—Antigonish and Guysborough.

Table 12

Young Offenders
Legal Representation by Age and Sex

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

Legal Representation	Age Sex	12 F	 M	13 F	 M	14 F	 M	15 F	 M	16 F	 M	Unknown F	 M	Total F	 M
Court Appointed		—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	—
Private Solicitor		1	7	2	19	6	35	2	44	—	2	—	1	11	108
Legal Aid		7	59	29	118	45	202	63	260	6	33	1	11	151	638
Not Represented		6	13	13	42	27	92	34	140	1	13	4	6	85	306
Not Known		—	—	3	1	—	3	4	3	—	1	—	1	7	9
Total		14	79	48	180	79	332	103	447	7	49	5	19	256	1,106

Note: Two Court locations were not included in this count—Antigonish and Guyborough. The total number of hearings at Courts reporting was 2,924.

Table 13

Young Offender Community Development Project: Referrals Received

April 1, 1988 – March 31, 1989

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total	% of Total
Alternative Measures Program														
Halifax	29	40	23	49	40	17	27	22	13	44	35	31	370	45%
Yarmouth	5	4	7	—	3	1	—	8	1	5	2	2	38	4%
Kentville	10	11	4	5	4	5	12	16	8	9	10	4	98	12%
Truro	7	5	8	5	5	5	6	9	2	9	6	7	74	9%
Amherst	9	2	7	3	6	1	4	5	6	3	1	—	47	6%
New Glasgow	—	3	13	9	5	2	1	13	12	—	5	3	66	8%
Sydney	21	10	4	9	8	8	17	10	13	11	12	9	132	16%
Total	81	75	66	80	71	39	67	83	55	81	71	56	825	100%
Community Service Order Program														
Halifax	2	5	2	1	4	3	—	7	5	6	5	11	51	17%
Yarmouth	4	6	6	4	1	5	—	2	—	3	2	3	36	12%
Kentville	5	3	5	4	—	1	5	4	2	5	1	6	41	14%
Truro	1	4	5	1	1	—	—	1	3	1	4	4	25	8%
Amherst	2	3	2	4	3	1	3	—	1	3	8	5	35	11%
New Glasgow	1	1	2	—	3	2	—	1	2	—	1	4	17	6%
Sydney	4	12	7	5	8	9	4	18	8	8	4	9	96	32%
Total	19	34	29	19	20	21	12	33	21	26	25	42	301	100%
Volunteer Program														
Halifax	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yarmouth	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	9%
Kentville	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1	—	2	6%
Truro	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	1	1	4	12%
Amherst	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	2	6%
New Glasgow	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	—	1	—	—	11	32%
Sydney	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	3	1	2	1	2	12	35%
Total	3	1	2	3	1	1	1	5	2	5	3	7	34	100%

Table 14

Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre Statistical Report

April 1, 1988 – March 31, 1989

	Male	Female	Total
1. Youth in care on April 1, 1988	5	0	5
2. Youth admitted, April 1, 1988, to March 31, 1989			
Open custody	17	0	17
Secure custody	0	0	0
Combination open/secure custody	17	0	17
Number transferred	8	0	8
3. No. of releases since April 1, 1988			
Section 28	1	0	1
Section 29	0	0	0
Order of Appeal Court	0	0	0
Released, end of custody period	3	0	3
Total number released during period	4	0	4
4. Days of care provided during period			
Open custody	1,317	0	1,317
Secure custody	0	0	0
Remand	64	0	64
Total days of care	1,381	0	1,381
5. No. of temporary releases granted	431	0	431
6. No. of temporary releases revoked	3	0	3
7. No. escaping custody	8	0	8
8. No. charged with escaping custody	7	0	7
9. No. remanded to temporary detention	5	0	5
10. No. remanded to temporary detention for assessment	0	0	0

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(Table 14 continued)

	Male	Female	Total
11. Ages of youth committed or transferred to custody:			
Age 12	1	0	1
Age 13	5	0	5
Age 14	4	0	4
Age 15	8	0	8
Age 16	4	0	4
12. No. of youth committed for:			
Armed robbery	0	0	0
Break and enter	1	0	1
Break, enter and theft	6	0	6
Assault causing bodily harm	1	0	1
Theft	1	0	1
Other	13	0	13
13. Staff complement			
Administration, managerial and supervisory			2
Psychological and social			1
Academic and vocational			7
Daily living and recreational			7
Secretarial, stenographic and clerical			1
Cooks, domestics, seamstresses			1
Maintenance, janitorial			2
Volunteers			7
Total			28

Table 15

Shelburne Youth Centre
Statistical Report

April 1, 1988 – March 31, 1989

	Male	Female	Total
1. **Youth in care on April 1, 1988**	37	12	49
2. **Youth admitted, April 1, 1988, to March 31, 1989**			
Open custody	113	27	140
Secure custody	6	1	7
Combination open/secure custody	3	0	3
Number transferred	22	0	22
Total since April 1, 1988	144	28	172
3. **No. of releases since April 1, 1988**			
Section 28	4	1	5
Section 29	0	0	0
Order of Appeal Court	1	0	1
Released end of custody period	92	18	110
Transferred to other facilities	14	0	14
Total number released during period	111	19	130
4. **Days of care provided during period**			
Open custody		14,671	
Secure custody		711	
Remand		1,773	
Total days of care		17,155	
5. **No. of temporary releases granted**	205	32	237
6. **No. of temporary releases revoked**	0	0	0
7. **No. escaping custody**	33	21	54
8. **No. charged with escaping custody**	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
9. **No. remanded to temporary detention**	52	18	70
10. **No. remanded to temporary detention for assessment**	38	13	51

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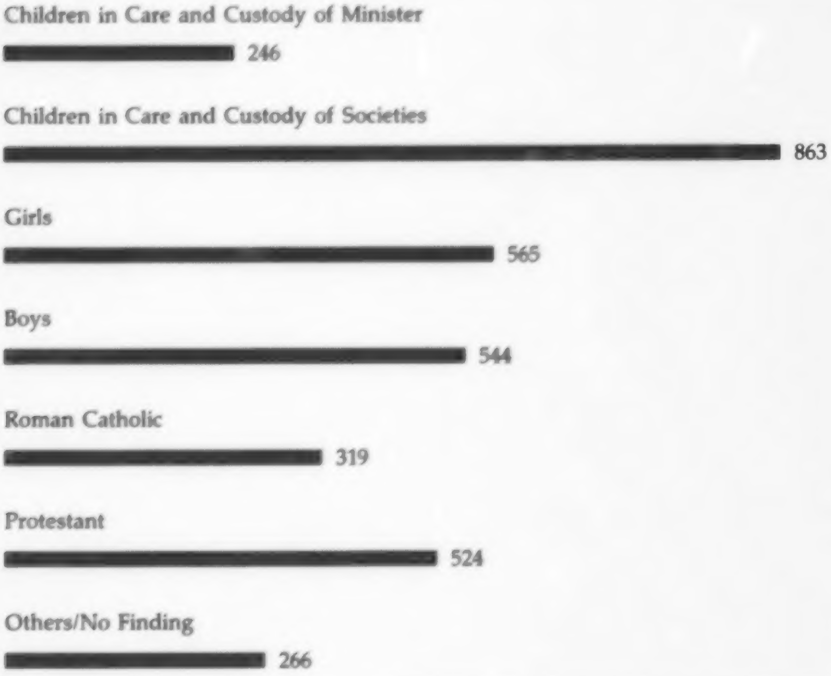
(Table 15 continued)

	Male	Female	Total
11. Ages of youth committed or transferred to custody:			
Age 12	0	0	0
Age 13	18	2	20
Age 14	34	4	38
Age 15	46	10	56
Age 16 and over	22	11	33
12. No. of youth committed for:			
Armed robbery	0	0	0
Break and enter	4	0	4
Break, enter and theft	36	1	37
Assault causing bodily harm	2	0	2
Theft	26	3	29
Other	114	20	134
13. Staff complement			
Administration, managerial and supervisory			12
Psychology and social			4
Academic and vocational			10
Daily living and recreational			38
Secretarial, stenographic and clerical			7
Cooks, domestics, seamstresses			9
Maintenance, janitorial			7
Total			87

Chart 1

Children in Care and Custody

March 31, 1989



What Ages?

Birth to 4 years	80
5 to 9 years	121
10 to 14 years	294
15 to 18 years	495
19 to 20 years	119

Where Were They?

Foster Homes	625
Independent Living/Boarding Homes/ Independence House	143
Adoption Probation	50
Free Home	15
Self-Supporting	38
Own Parents	51
Child Caring Facilities	135*
Others	52

*See Table 1, 4(d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), and (o).

Chart 2

Adoption Register Inquiries
(includes telephone, letter and personal contacts)

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

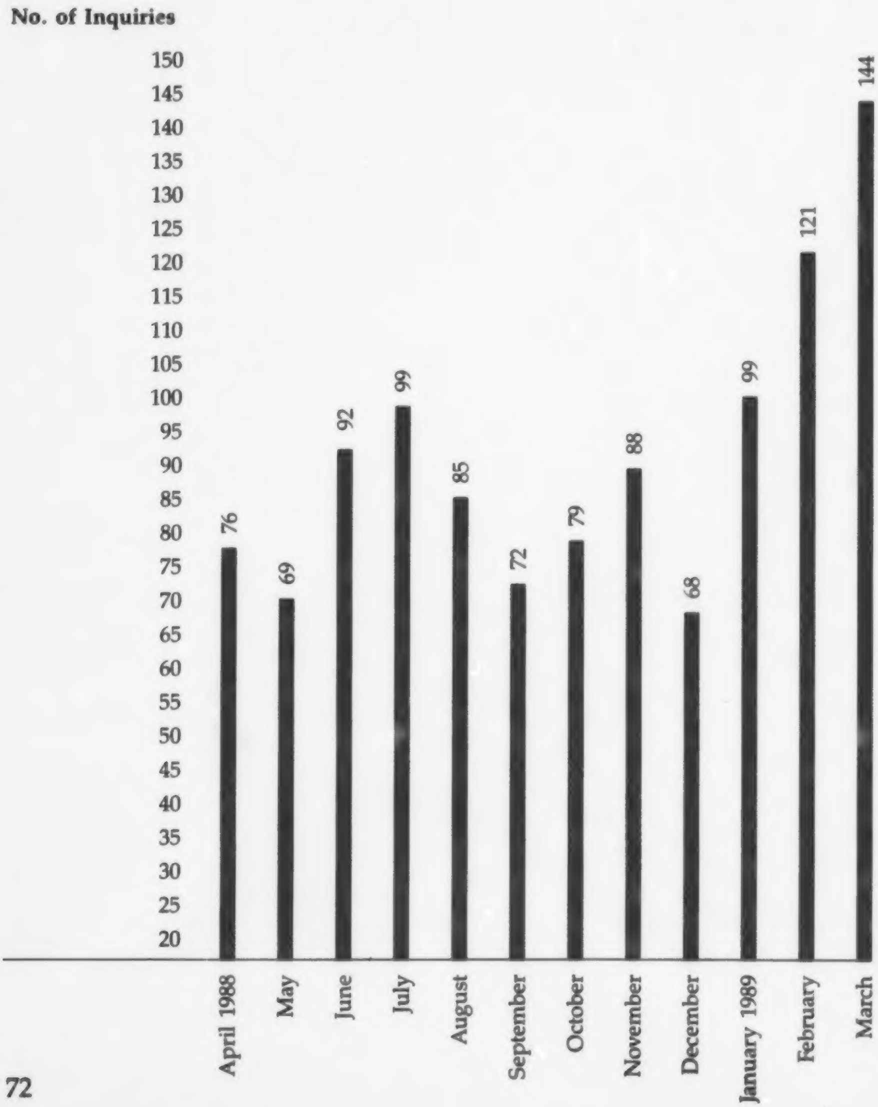
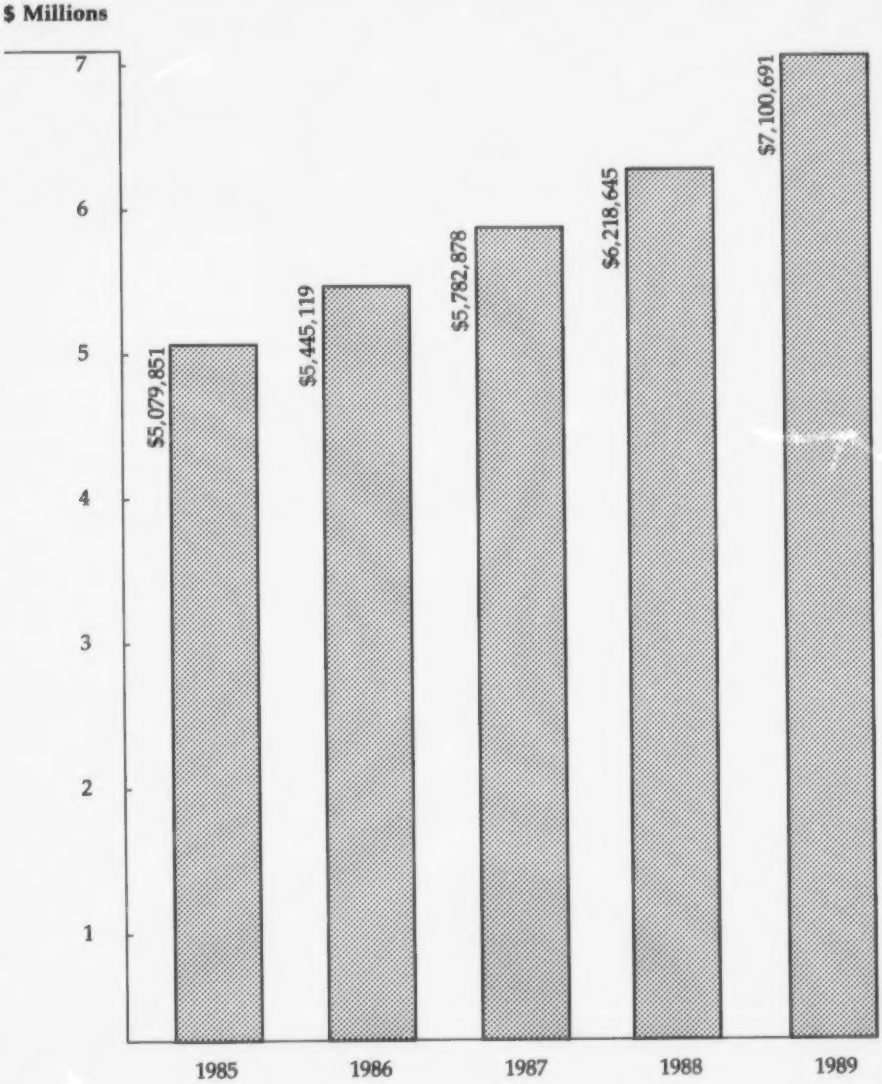


Chart 3

Day Care Subsidy Expenses

1985–89



Staff of the Coordinated Home Care Division

Community Services

Coordinated Home Care Division

Robert P. Moody, B.Comm., M.P.A., Coordinator

Established in the previous fiscal year, the Coordinated Home Care Division began its ambitious mandate in earnest this fiscal year. The new division includes homemakers services, formerly under the Family and Children's Services Division.

The mandate of the Coordinated Home Care Division is to implement and manage the coordinated delivery of a range of health, housing and social services to meet the needs of persons who require assistance or support to remain at home, or whose functioning without home care is likely to deteriorate, making it impossible for them to stay in the community.

Of the 39 homemakers programs, 31 have been chosen as entry points into the Coordinated Home Care Program, making this a highly decentralized program. The community care departments of the cities of Halifax and Dartmouth are entry points in those municipalities. Coordinated Home Care is aimed at providing services to three main client groups: senior citizens, the disabled, and families at risk. The core services include homemaking, home nursing, a range of housing programs and a wide array of volunteer programs and services available across Nova Scotia. An integral part of the mandate is to ensure that the program is regionally sensitive and that the continued and expanded use of volunteerism is vigorously pursued.

Every Nova Scotia municipality is involved in coordinated home care either through direct sponsorship or through cost-sharing of the homemakers portion of the Coordinated Home Care Program

The monitoring of program development and implementation is conducted through a committee of Cabinet known as the Nova Scotia Home Care Coordinating Agency. This agency is chaired by the Minister of Community Services and is assisted by the ministers of Health and Fitness, Housing and Municipal Affairs and the Minister in charge of the Senior Citizens Secretariat. All five of these departments and agencies are important to the success of the program. The departments of Community Services and Health and Fitness have the lead roles in service and delivery and policy formulation. A significant effort has been put into establishing processes that will ensure interdepartmental collaboration over the long term.

The first full fiscal year of operation for the new Coordinated Home Care Division saw many activities and goals undertaken and achieved, including:

- recruitment of seven regional home care coordinators and administrative support staff
- recruitment of an assistant provincial coordinator, Mrs. Joan Redmond
- establishment of programs in support of volunteerism including the Volunteer Initiatives Grant Program and the Volunteer Contracted Services Funds
- applied research of services beyond core services, evaluation criteria, and the role of the private sector in coordinated home care
- completion of the Task Force on Financing of Homemaker/Home Care Agencies
- in excess of 300 meetings conducted with municipal officials, elected and non-elected
- approximately 100 other public presentations on the implementation of coordinated home care
- interdepartmental development and ministerial approval of a policy overview document for the Coordinated Home Care Program
- establishment of a long-term direction for the interdepartmental management information system and the design and implementation of an interim data collection system for all home care intake agencies

- establishment of a collaborative working committee network with the Nova Scotia Home Care Advisory Committee, and
- phased implementation of coordinated home care, which saw 16 counties operational and two counties partly operational by March 31, 1989.

The Coordinated Home Care Program reached several milestones in its first full year of operation. Staff looked forward to a second active and productive year to serve the important needs of this program's clientele.

Homemakers Services

A. Stewart Brown, R.S.W., Director

The Homemakers Services Program is administered under the Homemakers Services Act and Regulations (1982) and to date 39 programs have been established throughout Nova Scotia. Also, in conjunction with the Family and Children's Services Division, 18 teaching homemakers programs are now available across the province. This last fiscal year saw homemaker agencies established in the towns of Wolfville and Canso and in the municipalities of the counties of Victoria and Cape Breton. All four agencies became operational entry points into coordinated home care during this fiscal year. As of March 31, 1989, the Town of Louisbourg remained the only municipality in Nova Scotia without a formal home care program

During the fiscal year the assistant provincial coordinator of Coordinated Home Care spearheaded the development of a 126-hour modular training program for homemakers. This is the first time that a province-wide standard training package has been available. Significant portions of this program were delivered during the fiscal year, with plans that provincially led training implementation would be an ongoing part of the Homemakers Services and Coordinated Home Care programs.

Family Benefits Division Staff

Mr. Rupert Fisher, Chief Supervisor, Family Benefits Division

Community Services

Family Benefits Division

Bill Campbell, Director

The Family Benefits Division is responsible for the administration of the following income support programs:

- Family Benefits Program
    - Family Benefits Payments
    - Family Benefits Pharmacare
    - Diabetic Assistance
    - Healthy Baby Program
- Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs
    - Seniors' Special Assistance
    - Property Tax Rebate
    - Rental Assistance

Family Benefits Section

Family Benefits Payments

The Family Benefits Act provides for financial payments to be made to individuals or families in need where the cause of need is likely to be of a prolonged nature (see Tables 16-19 and Charts 4-6). The individuals and families who may apply for benefits are:

- *Aged:* people 65 years of age and over who are not eligible to receive federal Old Age Security payments.
- *Disabled:* people who are 18 years of age and over and have a major physical or mental impairment likely to be present for at least one year which prevents participation in the regular labour market, and who are not eligible for Old Age Security (see Table 20).
- *Single parents:* any father or mother with a dependent child or children in his or her care and who is:
    - widowed
    - deserted
    - divorced
    - the husband or wife of a spouse sentenced to two years or longer in a federal penitentiary
    - unmarried and has reached the age of majority, or
    - the husband or wife of a disabled spouse who is in a hospital or similar institution.
- *Foster parents:* individuals or families having in their care and custody a dependent child who is not being maintained by the natural parent. The maximum payment is $110 for the first child and $99 for each additional child up to $458 per month.
- *Disabled fathers or mothers:* a father or mother who is disabled and has a dependent child or children in his or her care and custody.

A dependent child is a person under the age of 18 who is not employed and is dependent on his or her parent or parents for support. Benefits may be paid on behalf of a dependent child who is between the ages of 18 and 21 and is pursuing an educational program.

Payments

Family Benefits payments, with the exception of those made to foster parents, are determined on the basis of a needs test. This test compares a recipient's actual shelter expenses (e.g., rent, mortgage, electricty and fuel) up to a maximum level and personal allowances for food, clothing and miscellaneous essentials against the income available to the individual or family. The difference is the Family Benefits entitlement. Payments are mailed at the end of each month and represent the entitlement for the following month.

Assets

An individual granted Family Benefits as a disabled person may have $3,000 in cash or liquid assets and still receive benefits if all other eligibility requirements have been met. When the disabled person is living with his or her spouse, the asset level is increased to $5,500. An individual granted Family Benefits as an aged person may have $1,500 in cash or liquid assets and continue to receive benefits if all other eligibility requirements have been met. When the aged person is living with his or her spouse the assets are increased to $2,500. If the eligible person is a single father or mother with a dependent child, he or she may have cash or liquid assets of $2,500 and still receive benefits. A recipient of Family Benefits may also set up a trust fund for each dependent child and, provided the fund does not exceed $1,500, benefits may be paid. The trust fund may be used, if approved by the Director of Family Benefits, to improve the education of the child beyond the high school level.

Training and Employment Incentives

A single disabled recipient of Family Benefits may earn from employment (other than the regular labour market) or training up to $100 per month without affecting his or her monthly entitlement. Where there are gross wages or training allowances of more than $100 per month, 75% of the excess wages or training income are fully taken into account when calculating a recipient's monthly Family Benefits entitlement. The basic exemption of $100 is increased to $200 if the recipient lives with his or her spouse. A single parent who is employed or in training may earn up to $200 per month without any reduction to his or her monthly entitlement. Gross wages or training income of more than the basic exemption of $200 are taken into account at 75% when determining the monthly entitlement.

Effective October 1, 1988, a recipient of Family Benefits who works a minimum of 100 hours in the first four weeks of "full-time" employment is entitled to have the gross wages earned during the said four weeks exempted at 100% for Family Benefits purposes. To complement the Career Planning Program and the Vocational Rehabilitation Program for the Disabled, both administered by the Rehabilitation and Community Services Division, the Family Benefits Program provides for additional benefits, not to exceed $200 per month, to cover the actual costs incurred by recipients who participate in career planning or vocational rehabilitation programs. The purpose of these benefits is to support and encourage a recipient's endeavours to become and remain financially independent.

Regulatory Changes

During the past fiscal year the following changes have been approved by the executive council:

Effective Date of Change	**Brief Description of Change**
October 1, 1988	Separate allowances for food, clothing and miscellaneous essentials were established based on four new age groupings. Food allowances for children were adjusted to reflect rising food prices. Employment incentives were enhanced by making provisions for wages earned during the first four weeks of full-time employment to be exempted at 100%.
January 1, 1989	A new maternal nutritional allowance for pregnant and new mothers in receipt of Family Benefits was established.

Decentralization

The decision-making function of the Family Benefits program was first decentralized in December 1983 to the Halifax Regional Office for clients served by that office. Since then the Cape Breton, central and northern regions have been decentralized, making 77% of the total provincial caseload decentralized as of this report. The decentralization process has enhanced the overall delivery of the program by bringing the decision-making staff closer to both Family Benefits caseworkers and clients. Active planning is under way to extend the process to the remaining regions of the province.

The Family Benefits Division has developed and implemented procedures to monitor and evaluate the decentralization process to ensure consistency in the administration of the program throughout the province and to provide necessary resources to staff responsible for the management of the decentralized program.

Family Benefits Pharmacare

In September 1981 the Pharmacare program was introduced to provide free prescription drugs, prescribed ostomy equipment, and diabetic supplies such as disposable needles and testing materials for all disabled recipients of Family Benefits. An identification card is issued to each eligible recipient on the first day of every month. On presentation of this Pharmacare card and a prescription prepared by a physician or dentist to a Nova Scotia pharmacy, the Family Benefits recipient receives the prescribed medication. The pharmacy is reimbursed through Medical Services Insurance and Maritime Medical Care Inc. The benefits of the Pharmacare program are identical to the benefits provided under the Senior Citizens Pharmacare Program. (See Table 22.)

Diabetic Assistance

In April 1968 this program was transferred to the Department of Community Services, at which time the means to measure eligibility criteria changed from an income test to a needs test. Each eligible diabetic is provided with an identity card, to be presented to a pharmacy of choice to obtain his or her particular requirements. Pharmacies are reimbursed through Medical Services Insurance and Maritime Medical Care Inc. on behalf of the Department of Community Services. (See Table 21.)

Family Benefits Healthy Baby Program

In January 1989 a nutritional allowance for pregnant and new mothers was implemented. The supplement is to help pregnant women and new mothers on Family Benefits to nurture as healthy a baby as possible. The allowance is intended to assist with the purchase of milk and juice to help the mother have a healthy diet during pregnancy and the first few months after the birth of the child.

Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs

During the spring of 1981 a bill to replace Part IV of the Social Assistance Act was introduced. The bill received assent on June 24, 1981, and is now Chapter 11 of the Acts of 1981, the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Act. This Act provides for three separate financial aid programs for senior citizens.

Seniors' Special Assistance

This program has been in effect since 1973 under the provisions of Part VI of the Social Assistance Act and provides for annual lump-sum payments to recipients of a Guaranteed Income Supplement to the Old Age Security Pension. There are four levels of payment. The payment awarded to seniors depends on the level of their Guaranteed Income Supplement.

Property Tax Rebate

Introduced in the fall of 1980, this program provides a rebate of 50% of residential property taxes paid by seniors who own and regularly reside in their own homes and who receive either a Guaranteed Income Supplement or a Spouse's Allowance in January of the year of application.

Rental Assistance

This program, which became effective on April 1, 1981, provides a monthly assistance payment to seniors who rent their home and whose monthly rental payment exceeds 30% of their monthly income. Rental assistance is available to seniors who receive the Guaranteed Income Supplement or a Spouse's Allowance or who are single and have an annual income of $15,000 or less. Maximum rent amounts are used for single people and for married couples when determining the level of a rental assistance payment. The maximum rent amounts were increased in August 1988. (See Table 23.)

Table 16

Family Benefits Caseload by Categories

On March 31 of each year of five-year period ending March 31, 1989

	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89
Disabled Persons	12,817	12,670	12,334	12,373	12,804
Disabled Father or Mother	1,752	1,766	1,719	2,398	2,504
Aged	30	29	24	23	21
Unemployable Women	84	43	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Foster Parents	243	211	185	152	134
Single Parents:					
widowed	783	663	613	443	380
spouse of disabled person	13	12	9	6	6
spouse of prisoner	21	24	20	23	12
deserted	2,955	2,983	2,970	2,834	2,920
divorced	1,681	1,599	1,630	1,498	1,510
unmarried	3,222	3,304	3,535	3,729	4,146

Note: On January 1, 1987, categories were expanded to include benefits to both genders.

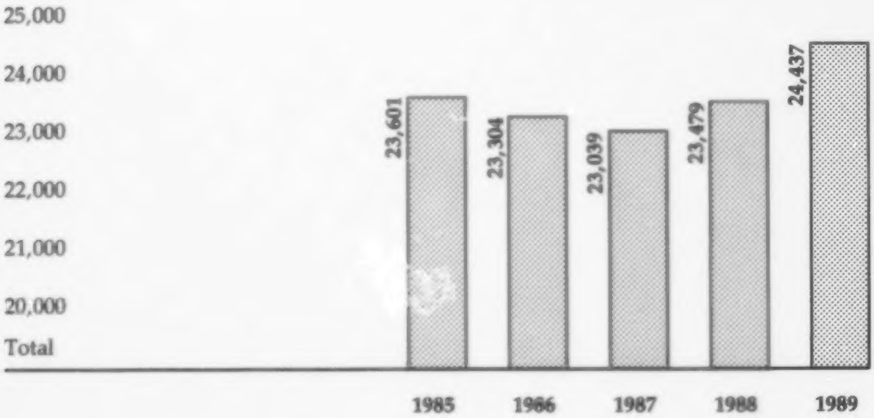


Table 17

Average Monthly Family Benefits Payments by Categories

On March 31 of each year of five-year period ending March 31, 1989

	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89
Disabled Persons	$310.00	$324.00	$334.00	$363.00	$386.00
Disabled Father or Mother	474.00	490.00	467.00	524.00	615.00
Aged	327.00	344.00	356.00	380.00	397.00
Foster Parents	122.00	126.00	131.00	133.00	134.00
Single Parents:					
widowed	360.00	379.00	387.00	402.00	497.00
spouse of disabled person	338.00	413.00	454.00	394.00	601.00
spouse of prisoner	635.00	539.00	615.00	648.00	722.00
deserted	544.00	565.00	578.00	616.00	682.00
divorced	525.00	543.00	615.00	590.00	659.00
unmarried	486.00	520.00	573.00	601.00	646.00

Note: On January 1, 1987, categories were expanded to include benefits to both genders.

Number of children included in Family Benefits budget	19,094
Average number of children per case (families only)	1.66
Total number of persons benefitting under the Family Benefits Program	46,530
Average monthly Family Benefits as of March 31, 1989	$497.53

Table 18

Gross Family Benefits Expenditures by Categories

On March 31 of each year of five-year period ending March 31, 1989

	1984-85	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89
Disabled Person	$45,802,016	$48,529,548	$49,023,419	$65,648,423	$73,001,231
Disabled Father or Mother	9,508,667	10,149,576	9,478,565	12,721,858	14,279,821
Aged	116,089	119,736	93,847	120,828	125,384
Foster Parents	337,711	316,668	293,273	805,938	766,234
Single Parents:					
widowed	3,482,642	2,939,160	2,686,375	2,350,548	2,173,319
spouse of disabled person	73,874	59,508	46,924	31,141	27,863
spouse of prisoner	147,748	148,656	140,771	120,828	55,726
deserted	18,046,417	19,897,980	20,482,146	15,035,036	16,648,181
divorced	10,342,391	10,266,624	10,909,734	7,947,268	8,595,756
unmarried	17,392,102	20,249,772	24,153,917	19,783,467	23,641,811
Totals	$105,534,600	$112,852,072	$117,308,970	124,565,335	$139,315,326

Table 19

Family Benefits Monthly Caseload and Liability by Counties

March 1989

	Number of Allowances Paid	Monthly Liability
Annapolis	601	$303,070
Antigonish	387	176,879
Cape Breton	6,165	3,197,527
Colchester	1,174	616,154
Cumberland	1,036	448,807
Digby	601	278,417
Guysborough	343	146,603
Halifax	6,611	3,561,292
Hants	670	314,398
Inverness	649	299,136
Kings	1,372	680,774
Lunenburg	910	432,266
Pictou	1,520	762,821
Queens	326	135,950
Richmond	398	176,913
Shelburne	318	132,432
Victoria	158	69,230
Yarmouth	862	423,856
Totals	24,101	$12,156,525

Note: Caseload figures differ because of variances in reporting.

Table 20

Nature of Disabilities of Disabled Persons Receiving Family Benefits

On March 31, 1989

	1986	1987	1988	1989
Salmonella Infections	2	1	2	1
Other Intestinal Infections	4	4	2	3
Tuberculosis	44	35	36	25
Strep Throat/Scarlet Fever	2	3	3	3
Polio	35	30	24	24
Viral Encephalitis	2	2	2	3
Infectious Hepatitis	4	3	4	4
Other Infectious Diseases	9	9	6	4
Cancer	179	153	154	157
Leukemia	6	8	4	4
Benign Cancer	37	35	26	23
Carcinoma of Cervix Uteri	1	2	1	1
Neoplasms of Unspecified Nature	3	3	3	4
Nontoxic Goiter	2	2	2	2
Thyrotoxicosis	5	4	5	5
Diseases of Thyroid Gland	17	17	16	18
Diabetes	254	236	257	253
Other Endocrine Diseases	9	10	11	15
Nutritional Deficiency	4	3	4	4
Disorders of Metabolism	11	12	10	9
Other Metabolic Diseases	11	9	9	11
Iron Deficiency Anemias	5	4	3	4
Anemias	7	6	6	5
Blood Diseases	5	6	9	10
Alcoholic Psychosis	32	32	33	33
Schizophrenia	1,523	1,470	1,506	1,476
Affective Psychoses	329	310	326	313
Other Psychoses	182	206	246	234
Neuroses	114	115	120	116
Alcoholism	88	88	103	110
Drug Dependence	11	11	8	7
Non-psychotic Mental Disorders	1,048	1,122	1,349	1,401
Mental Retardation	3,703	3,702	3,739	3,735
Inflammatory Diseases	15	14	11	14
Diseases of Nervous System	438	433	471	483
Multiple Sclerosis	77	74	70	73
Cerebral Palsy	194	194	205	213
Epilepsy	387	381	403	386
Inflammatory Eye Diseases	12	13	11	13
Strabismus	2	6	6	9
Cataract	10	10	11	13

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(Table 20 continued)

	1986	1987	1988	1989
Glaucoma	22	23	20	19
Other Eye Diseases	300	286	298	300
Mastoiditis	10	11	3	8
Ear Diseases	79	77	94	91
Active Rheumatic Fever	1	1	1	1
Rheumatic Heart Disease	16	13	12	11
Hypertension	609	546	573	540
Heart Disease	786	716	732	703
Cerebral Hemorrhage	23	21	22	18
Stroke	90	78	92	84
Arteriosclerosis	48	41	43	41
Artery Diseases	38	36	40	42
Pulmonary Embolism	6	4	5	4
Phlebitis and Thrombosis	15	15	17	13
Varicose Veins	15	17	14	17
Circulatory System Diseases	29	29	24	23
Upper Respiratory Infection	9	10	13	13
Bronchitis and Emphysema	397	370	400	383
Asthma	66	73	86	94
Chronic Sinusitis	4	4	5	2
Lung Disease	30	35	38	34
Empyema and Abscess of Lung	6	4	7	6
Pneumoconiosis	6	6	5	4
Respiratory System Disease	105	98	91	95
Diseases of Teeth	1	—	—	1
Ulcer of Duodenum	24	22	23	20
Ulcer of Stomach	23	28	27	29
Gastritis and Duodenitis	18	17	18	17
Esophagus/Stomach Disease	21	24	30	32
Hernia without Obstruction	13	13	12	11
Hernia with Obstruction	7	6	6	5
Intestinal Obstruction	5	5	5	3
Chronic Colitis	18	27	31	29
Intestinal Disease	16	19	25	27
Cirrhosis of Liver	38	32	36	25
Other Liver Diseases	3	4	6	7
Cholelithiasis	2	3	2	3
Gall Bladder Disease	7	7	6	7
Pancreas Disease	13	15	12	12
Nephritis and Nephrosis	19	16	18	12
Kidney Infections	22	24	24	28
Calculus of Urinary System	3	2	3	2
Urinary System Diseases	28	29	35	30
Redundant Prepuce and Phimosis	7	6	5	3
Ovary/Fallopian Tube Disease	1	2	1	—
Disease of the Breast	—	—	—	1
Female Genital Organs Disease	1	—	—	—
Complications of Puerperium	1	—	1	—

	1986	1987	1988	1989
Skin and Tissue Disease	31	26	30	33
Arthritis	1,024	1,023	1,131	1,090
Osteoarthritis	376	323	346	346
Bone Disease	77	71	70	65
Slip Disc	156	141	133	125
Joint Diseases	284	283	324	402
Synovitis/Bursitis/Tonosynovitis	9	9	7	6
Musculoskeletal System Disease	200	205	238	240
Spine Bifida	15	14	16	15
Congenital Anomalies of Heart	1	1	1	1
Cleft Palate and Cleft Lip	5	4	7	6
Congenital Anomalies/Digestive	1	3	3	3
Congenital Anomalies/Skeletal	30	31	31	28
Congenital Anomalies	21	21	23	26
Birth Injury	6	5	5	5
Asphyxia/Anoxia/Hypoxia	3	2	3	2
Hemolytic Disease of Newborn	3	2	2	2
Senility	6	6	5	5
Skull Fracture	32	38	41	38
Spine and Trunk Fractures	36	29	30	31
Upper Limb Fracture	16	19	20	22
Femus Fracture	35	33	29	28
Lower Limb Fracture	48	47	56	59
Dislocations and Sprains	38	42	48	42
Laceration of Open Wounds	—	—	—	16
Internal Injury, Chest/Pelvis	5	4	5	4
Foreign Bodies	3	3	2	2
Burns	5	5	9	6
Amputations	178	168	181	161
Surgical Complications	4	4	4	4
Effects of External Causes	11	15	11	11
Examinations without Sickness	7	11	10	9
Other	18	16	—	—

Table 21

Diabetic Assistance: Number of Recipients and Liability

March 31, 1989

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Liability
1984-85	593	$205,345
1985-86	577	230,397
1986-87	563	258,177
1987-88	558	253,692
1988-89	586	331,184

Table 22

Pharmacare: Number of Recipients and Liability

March 31, 1989

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Liability
1984-85	14,004	$4,740,680
1985-86	13,911	5,912,004
1986-87	14,347	6,914,423
1987-88	14,793	7,502,880
1988-89	14,877	9,320,796

Table 23

Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs

March 31, 1989

Seniors' Special Assistance

Fiscal Year	Levels of Payment	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1978-79	150, 135, 100, 75	51,827	$ 6,754,155
1979-80	162, 146, 100, 81	52,800	7,504,742
1980-81	176, 159, 115, 88	53,409	8,144,045
1981-82	198, 178, 132, 99	54,432	9,281,113
1982-83	219, 197, 146, 109	56,286	10,556,581
1983-84	219, 197, 146, 109	56,616	10,449,038
1984-85	219, 197, 146, 109	57,170	10,444,662
1985-86	219, 197, 146, 109	58,302	10,543,147
1986-87	219, 197, 146, 109	57,914	10,361,328
1987-88	219, 197, 146, 109	58,546	10,425,936
1988-89	219, 197, 146, 109	58,629	10,374,428

Property Tax Rebate

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1981-82	21,297	$2,405,474
1982-83	20,135	2,690,441
1983-84	18,967	2,624,530
1984-85	18,600	2,694,006
1985-86	19,130	3,001,237
1986-87	19,431	3,180,481
1987-88	19,989	3,521,183
1988-89	20,327	3,853,384

Rental Assistance

Fiscal Year	No. of Recipients	Total Payments
1982-83	1,650	$ 940,008.00
1983-84	1,600	1,083,174.24
1984-85	1,950	1,211,327.00
1985-86	1,830	1,036,366.00
1986-87	1,645	910,636.00
1987-88	1,860	922,008.00
1988-89	1,935	1,232,355.00

Chart 4

Total Family Benefits Budget (Excluding Seniors' Program)

March 31, 1985 - March 31, 1989

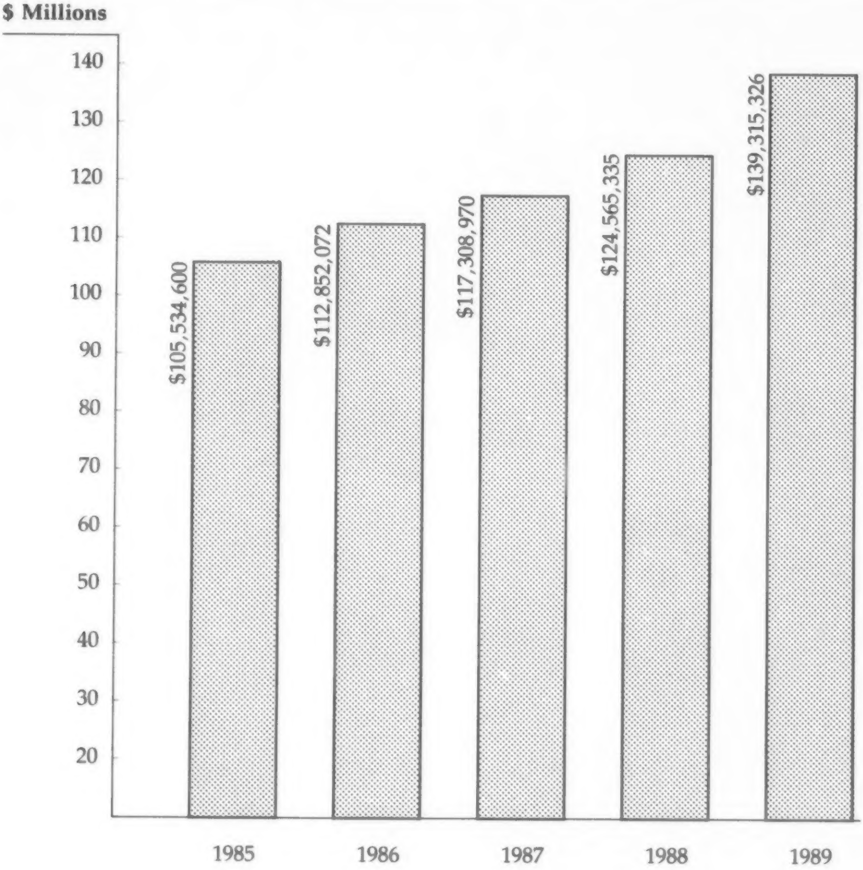


Chart 5

Family Benefits Recipients in Relation to Beneficiaries

1985–89

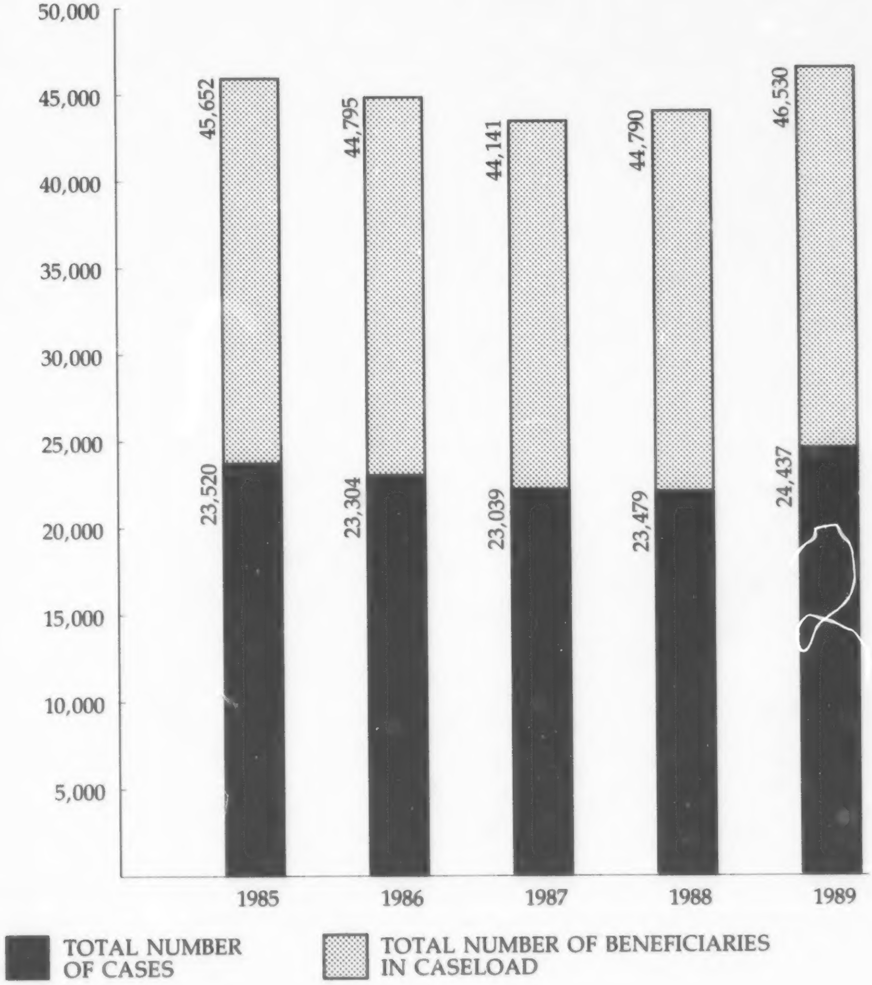
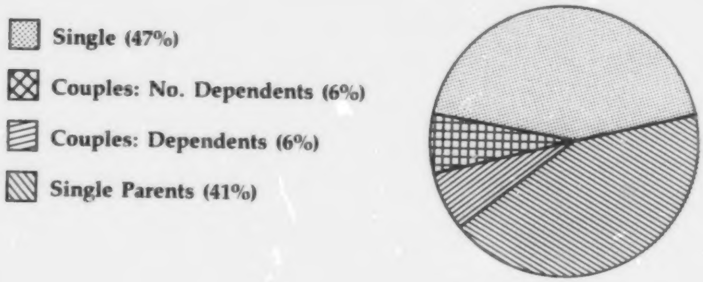


Chart 6

Family Benefits Caseload by Family, Beneficiary and Housing Types, and by Age of Head of Household

April 1989

Caseload by Family Type



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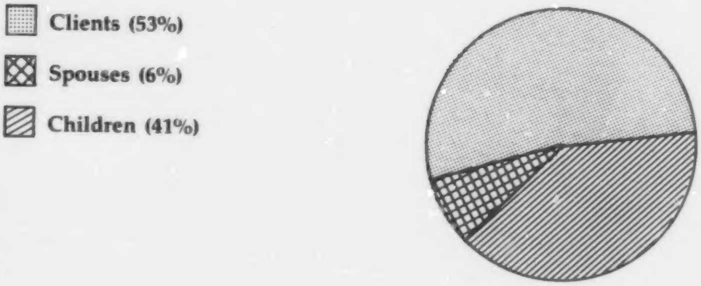

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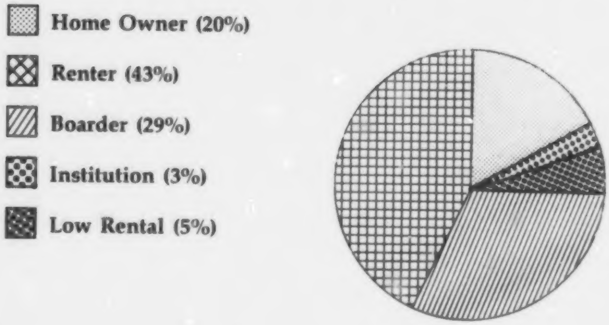
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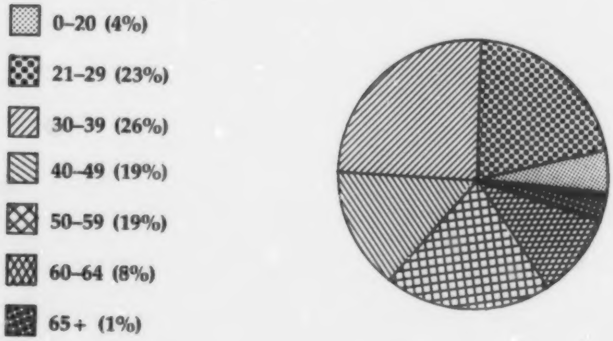

Caseload by Age of Head of Household

Rehabilitation and Community Services Division staff

Community Services

Rehabilitation and Community Services Division

James A. MacIsaac, M.S.W., Administrator

The Rehabilitation and Community Services Division is composed of the following sections:

- Rehabilitation and Community Services
- Services for the Mentally Handicapped
- Municipal Social Services
- Classifications and Assessments
- Adult Protection Services, and
- Dietetic Consultant Services.

The primary responsibility of this division is to see that a full range of rehabilitation services, financial income-maintenance programs, Homes for Special Care, community-based residential options, vocational workshops, adult protection services, dietetic consultation services, and provincial facilities are provided for the socially, physically and/or mentally handicapped and for aged people.

The Division works with municipal authorities and community organizations in the orderly development, maintenance and coordination of social service programs. This involves the planning and monitoring of services and includes setting standards, conducting program evaluations, consultation and inspection of facilities in carrying out regular assessments and classifications of clients, and investigations and assessments of cases referred under the Adult Protection Services legislation. These services are provided under the authority of the Social Assistance Act, the Homes for Special Care Act, the federal-provincial Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreement, Adult Protection Services, and Dietetic Consultant Services. (See Table 24.)

Rehabilitation and Community Services Section

Ronald L'Esperance, B.A., B.Ed., M.Ed., Director

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Vocational Service Centres for Mentally Handicapped Persons

The Supported Employment Program continues to expand through the continued efforts of the workshop staff with the assistance of the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission (CEIC) and programs operated under the aegis of the federal-provincial Employability Accord. Supported employment programs are presently in place in the following workshops:

- Kay Nickerson Adult Service Centre, Yarmouth
- Queens Adult Service Centre, Liverpool
- The Flower Cart, New Minas
- Windsor Adult Service Centre
- Halifax Adult Service Centre
- DASC Industries, Dartmouth
- Lake City Woodworkers, Dartmouth
- New Leaf Enterprises, Halifax
- Endale Industries, Enfield
- Amherst Adult Service Centre
- Summer Street Industries, New Glasgow
- Antigonish Adult Service Centre
- Northside Adult Service Centre, North Sydney
- Kinsmen Resource Centre, Sydney

- Anchor Industries, Sackville
- Green Door Society, Cheticamp
- Regional Occupation Centre, Port Hawkesbury, and
- Atelier de Clare, Church Point.

With the continued support of the Department of Community Services, it is expected that this program will grow, adding a new dimension to the services being offered by Vocational Service Centres in Nova Scotia.

The Workshop Council of Nova Scotia, with financial assistance from the Department of Community Services, has hired an executive secretary and opened a central office to serve the needs of vocational service centres and the mentally and physically disabled persons they serve.

Lake City Industries, with the assistance of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA) and the Department of Community Services, is planning major alterations and an expansion to its facility.

Queens Adult Service Centre is planning a major expansion at its facility to accommodate new and expanded programs. A fundraising drive will be undertaken in the community, with the Department of Community Services providing a grant to assist with this expansion. Pre-vocational programming and a supported work program will be implemented as a result of this expansion.

Several other workshops are in the process of planning for new facilities.

Standards for the operation of pre-vocational programs, and guidelines for the development of supported work programs, are being prepared. General guidelines prepared by the Workshop Council of Nova Scotia and approved by the Minister of Community Services are also being updated.

Existing programs within the vocational service centres have remained constant or expanded under the fine leadership given by staff and the boards of directors, the considerable assistance and direction provided by the Department of Community Services, and the assistance the centres have received from other departments of the government, including at the provincial level the departments of Small Business Development and Advanced Education and Job Training, and at the federal level the CEIC.

Total funding for the adult service centres in this fiscal year was $3,641,500.

Work Activity Projects

During fiscal 1988/89, four work activity projects were operated under the aegis of the Department of Community Services: the Dartmouth Work Activity Project, the Halifax-based Options program, the Cobequid Work Activity Program in Truro, and the South Shore Work Activity Program located near Chester. A fifth, the Annapolis Valley Work Activity Program was in the developmental stage.

Work activity projects provide work adjustment training and skills development for persons who have difficulty in obtaining or remaining in competitive employment.

Planning is well under way in Cape Breton to develop a work activity program to service this region of the province.

Total funding for work activity projects in this fiscal year was $1.4 million.

Housing Programs

Norma Lloyd, Coordinator of Special Projects

Community service workers, and Family Benefits workers for those areas not served by community service workers, continue to provide community services, assistance with housing repairs and the brokerage of housing programs for Family Benefits recipients.

The housing programs offered by the Department of Housing and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation are fully utilized to provide funds for repairs and new housing. Table 25 provides statistical information on the number of families being served, the type of programs being utilized and the costs involved.

The Department of Housing's program to provide housing for Family Benefits recipients continued to be delivered throughout the province during fiscal 1988/89. This program, known as the Family Benefits Shelter Component Housing Program, has provided in excess of 340 units, either newly built or existing housing, since its inception. The Family Benefits shelter component, along with a subsidy, is being used to discharge the mortgage payment. An evaluation of the Family Benefits Housing Program was completed after one year of operation and subsequent refinements were made. The level of cooperation between the departments of Community Services and Housing has been exemplary.

During the year, community service workers were involved in a number of community development projects, including projects in the

North Preston area and within Cumberland County. Linkages with the federal government's Community Futures Program and with the Department of Small Business Development are being developed to ensure that community development initiatives are maximally coordinated.

Summer Programs

Challenging positions were provided for high school and university students during the summer of 1988.

Day camps were operated for autistic children and children with special needs (emotional and behavioural problems.) Referrals were received from the Izaak Walton Killam Hospital for Children, the Atlantic Child Guidance Centre, the Nova Scotia Hospital Children's Unit, Family and Children's Services of Eastern Nova Scotia, and the special services within the school system.

Residential camping programs were operated at Camp Hilles in West Paradise, Camp Canso in Canso, and Camp AiteBreagh in Orangedale for children and adults for whom the Department of Community Services has partial or total responsibility.

The Counsellor-in-Training Program provided nine weeks of intensive training in skills required to be a camp counsellor to 16 young people, many of whom will return for future employment with the Department's camping program or at other camps throughout the province.

A special seven-day Adventure Program Training Session was given in May to senior staff of both the residential and day camping programs, under the excellent leadership of Dave Comeau and Jayar Milligan. The regular six-day training program for all staff was held at Camp Hilles in June, with two additional days for the directors. The resulting growth and change in the quality of the staff was noticeable and benefitted the programs throughout the summer.

Students were employed in the following areas during the summer of 1988:

Employment opportunities for young disabled	10
Residential camping	52
Day camps	52
Counsellors-in-training	21
Clerical/case aides (regional and district offices)	66
Total	201

REHABILITATION SERVICES

Ruth Anne Moffatt Dickson, B.A., B.S.W., Coordinator
Vocational Rehabilitation Services and Work Activity Projects

Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Disabled Persons

Eleanor MacDougall, B.A., Consultant

Operated under the federal-provincial Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Act and Agreement (VRDP), this program provides vocational assessment and planning services to disabled persons throughout the province. The VRDP agreement establishes the definition of disability and financial commitment in which the two levels of government participate.

The staff of this vocational rehabilitation program work with the Department of Advanced Education and Job Training and the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission (CEIC) to provide an individualized vocational plan for disabled people who apply. Training for disabled individuals includes the usual range of options, from trades training to university education. Pre-vocational training and academic upgrading are provided when required.

Training allowances are paid to vocational rehabilitation clients attending a training program by either the Department of Advanced Education and Job Training or CEIC. A medical or adaptive aid may be required to enable some disabled individuals to participate in a training program. The Department of Community Services supplies the funds to meet the cost of these devices.

Some disabled persons may require a period of work assessment to determine their aptitudes and ability to work. In these cases a work assessment program is arranged by a vocational rehabilitation counsellor in concert with an employer, who agrees to accept the disabled person in a work setting for a period ranging from two weeks to three months. During this period, factors such as work habits, ability to follow directions, initiative, attendance, and training and/or employment potential are assessed. Using this valuable information, the vocational rehabilitation counsellor, in conjunction with the client, can determine the best course of action for occupational or on-the-job training.

The primary objective of Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Disabled Persons is to enable disabled individuals to become gainfully employed following a period of assessment, counselling and training. As a result of its services, many disabled Nova Scotians are able to become employed and assume an independent lifestyle.

During fiscal 1988/89, program staff have developed proposed program enhancements arising from the completion of Phase I of the federal-provincial review of fiscal arrangements affecting persons with disabilities.

Career Planning with Single Parents

The Rehabilitation and Community Services Division, in concert with the Family Benefits Division, provides career guidance and related services to single parents receiving Family Benefits. (See Table 26.)

The objectives of this program are two-fold: (1) to enable single parents to become gainfully employed on either a part-time or full-time basis following a period of assessment, counselling, and training or retraining, and (2) to enhance single parents' family-management and parenting skills.

The primary emphasis of the program is to enable single parents receiving Family Benefits to develop appropriate skills that will lead to employment so they may become financially independent.

The services provided under this program include vocational assessment, individual and group career guidance and counselling, the development of individualized career plans, assistance with training and employment placement, and referral services.

To offset the additional costs a single parent may incur while participating in an approved vocational training program, the Department of Community Services can provide financial assistance to a maximum of $200 per month over and above the Family Benefits payment. This allowance may be used to cover actual costs in one or a combination of the following areas: course tuition in special circumstances, approved transportation costs, approved child-care expenses, items of special need (including clothing or other related expenses associated with one's participation in training), and/or a job-search allowance.

Social Assistance Recipients (SARS) Program

John MacInnes, Coordinator

A relatively recent addition to the Department's programs and services, the SARS Program operated under the aegis of the Canada–Nova Scotia Agreement to Enhance the Employability of Social Assistance Recipients. This agreement permits the province to utilize monies that would have formerly been provided as social assistance payments to pay wages to recipients involved in training or employment programs.

Implemented in conjunction with Health and Welfare Canada, the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission and the Nova Scotia Department of Advanced Education and Job Training, this program provides social assistance recipients with the opportunity to break the welfare dependency cycle. The agreement also seeks to increase the number of social assistance recipients participating in the job entry/reentry and job development streams of CEIC's Canadian Jobs Strategy (CJS).

To date, a combined federal-provincial total of more than 116 projects have been operated, providing some 1,581 recipients with the opportunity to undertake training and gain valuable work experience leading to employment. Combined federal-provincial expenditures in excess of $11 million have been expended since the signing of the agreement late in 1987.

Unlike the old-style "make work" programs, the SARS initiative places primary emphasis on actual skills training through classroom work and on-the-job experience. Life skills training and training in job-search skills are provided as well.

This program is an excellent example of the positive initiatives that can be developed when different levels and departments of government are able to cooperate effectively.

Services for the Mentally Handicapped

J. Ross Thorpe, B.Ed., M.A., Director

This Section is concerned with the delivery of residential services and the development and coordination of other programs appropriate to the needs of the mentally handicapped. Mentally handicapped people include those who are intellectually or developmentally impaired and those who are functionally disabled as a result of mental illness or long-term institutionalization. The services delivered come under two categories:

- services directly financed and managed by the Department (i.e., Children's Training Centres, Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, a Foster Home Program for Mentally Handicapped Children, and an In-Home Support Program) and
- services of organizations that operate with the guidance of the Department and whose operating costs are cost-shared by the province (i.e., Adult Residential Centres, Community Residences, Palmeter's Country Nursing Home, Regional Rehabilitation Centres).

The Department works closely with voluntary organizations and municipalities to develop more comprehensive systems of service delivery so each mentally handicapped person may become as fully integrated into the community as his or her disability will allow.

Long-range planning committees were established in collaboration with municipalities in the metro area and in industrial Cape Breton in fiscal 1986/87 to identify long-range residential and support service requirements over the next 20 years. Final reports were submitted in fiscal 1988/89 and committees were established in Yarmouth County and rural Cape Breton to develop similar long-range plans for these areas.

It is hoped that future placement of mentally handicapped people in institutions will be limited to those individuals requiring a degree of programming supervision or care that cannot be provided in smaller, community residential situations.

Children's Services

William A. McCarron, B.A., M.S.W.
Coordinator of Services for the Mentally Handicapped

A mentally handicapping condition can range from very mild to very severe, and a mental handicap may be accompanied by one or more forms of physical disbility, which also range in severity. Thus an array of services is required to meet the needs of children at various levels of functioning. This array of services also provides a progression through which a child can move. These services include:

- support and assistance to parents maintaining a severely handicapped child at home
- residential placement, education and training at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre
- foster home care
- personal care and training in a Children's Training Centre, and
- personal care and training in a Nursing Home.

Support and Assistance to Parents Maintaining a Handicapped Child at Home

The Department of Community Services operates a limited In-Home Support Program to provide financial assistance to parents maintaining a severely handicapped child at home in an effort to keep the family unit together. Financial assistance provided to the family under this program is aimed at the extraordinary costs incurred owing to the child's disability. Assistance can be provided towards the cost of such items as drugs, necessary supplies, transportation to and from medical appointments, respite care and special-needs items.

Eligibility for inclusion in the In-Home Support Program is limited to those families whose children would quality for placement in either a Children's Training Centre or a Nursing Home, and who qualify for all or part of the child tax credit on their most recent income tax return. The amount of assistance is determined on an individual family basis, and the monthly maximum in any given situation is no more than $300. The program ends at the child's eighteenth birthday, or sooner if other program guidelines are not met.

Foster Home Care

This program provides a child with an alternate home setting on a temporary or permanent basis. A foster home placement is sometimes preferable to placing the child in an institutional facility. Most children placed in foster homes attend classes in local schools.

At the present time, a maximum of 10 children, ranging in age from six months to 18 years, can be accommodated in the Special Foster Care Program. The placement and supervision of the children in these special foster homes is supervised by a social service worker in consultation with local children's agencies.

The emphasis in this program is increasingly on helping children's agencies to arrange foster homes and on helping them to cope with the special needs of mentally handicapped children.

As of March 31, 1989, a total of nine children were living in nine foster homes in the province.

Personal Care and Training in a Children's Training Centre

Children's Training Centres are residential training facilities that provide personal care and developmental training to severely mentally handicapped children who, for a variety of reasons, are unable to remain at home with their natural parents. At present, Children's Training Centres are located in Dartmouth, Digby, Pictou and Sydney.

The goal of Children's Training Centre is to have these children learn basic life skills such as feeding, dressing, and toilet training so they can eventually return to their homes or to non-institutionalized settings. In pursuit of this goal, counselling staff at Children's Training Centres carry out individual programs for each child in residence, and an academic teacher on the staff of each centre provides modified academic classroom instruction. Each child is encouraged to develop to the fullest extent of his or her abilities. A number of children in the Children's Training Centres have progressed to the point where they can now attend special education classes in the regular school system on a day basis while living at the Children's Training Centre.

When a child is admitted to a Children's Training Centre, his or her parent or legal guardian must sign a voluntary care agreement under the Children's Services Act. Parents maintain legal custody of their child, and the Department of Community Services, through the Children's Training Centre, agrees to provide the child with care and training for one year. Parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's training, by participating in long-term goal setting and by maintaining frequent contact with their child by taking the child home on vacations and holidays and by visiting regularly. The voluntary care agreement may be renewed as required.

Children's Training Centres also offer a service called respite care to families who are maintaining a severely handicapped child at home. The Children's Training Centre will take in such a child for a weekend, a week or some other short time period to give the family a break from the continual care the child demands.

All admissions to the Children's Training Centres, whether regular or respite, are screened by an admissions committee. This committee gathers all necessary information on each child seeking admission and decides which program placement is in the child's best interest. (See Table 27.)

Personal Care and Training in a Nursing Home

This level of care is reserved for mentally handicapped children requiring nursing care, heavy personal care, or both. As of March 31, 1989, 27 children resided in this setting. The emphasis in this unit is on nursing, personal care, and developmental training. As indicated earlier, a special unit has been established in the Sydney Children's Training Centre to provide this level of care to children from Cape Breton Island.

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre

John A. Walker, M.S.W., Superintendent

The Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre is a provincial residential school operated by the Department of Community Services for mildly and moderately mentally handicapped children. The school is located in Bible Hill, Colchester County.

The policy of the admissions committee is that, whenever possible, children should remain in their own home and attend school in their local area. For social, educational and family reasons it is not possible for some children to benefit from community programs—thus the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre exists.

The primary purpose of the centre is to provide education and training so these children will be better prepared for life in the community. All programs are planned to help students develop intellectually, socially and emotionally so they can return to and participate in a community setting. The school program is greatly enhanced by programs and organizations in the nearby community. Students participate in community work programs and in local clubs such as Sea Cadets, Air Cadets, Boys and Girls Clubs, and the Y.M.C.A. They also participate in sports events in cooperation with local schools.

The centre is designed to accommodate 183 students. Its facilities include residences, a classroom complex, an indoor pool, a gymnasium, extensive playgrounds and outdoor rinks. The centre operates during the school year and all students return to their communities for summer and Christmas vacations. Services are financed and directed by the Department of Community Services. (See Table 28.)

Adult Institutional Services

Miss Barbara Carbonell, R.N., P.G.
Coordinator of Services for the Mentally Disabled

Adult institutional services for the mentally handicapped provide accommodation and programs for:

- individuals who have previously received treatment as psychiatric casualties, usually as in-patients or psychiatric facilities
- other mentally handicapped adults, many of whom have behaviour disorders, or
- people with degenerative disorders, including the aged, who have additional behaviour problems that make them unsuitable for other placement alternatives.

These services are provided in Regional Rehabilitation Centres and Adult Residential Centres.

Regional Rehabilitation Centres

Regional Rehabilitation Centres are situated in Waterville, Kings County, for the western region; Sydney River, Cape Breton County, for people from Cape Breton Island; and in Cole Harbour, Halifax County, for people from the rest of mainland Nova Scotia.

These centres are intended to provide the most intensive level of rehabilitation and developmental programming for people with the highest potential to move on to less-restrictive alternatives in the community. They have a level of staffing and expertise necessary to respond to people whose disordered behaviour represents a severe management problem.

Regional Rehabilitation Centres are operated by local levels of government under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act and are cost-shared 100% by the Department. Centres have a total current capacity of 378 people. (See Table 29.)

Adult Residential Centres

Adult Residential Centres are situated at Sydney River, Mabou, Waterville, Riverton, Pugwash, Beaverbank, Barrington, Yarmouth, Dayspring and Bridgetown. They serve a second level of needs: the needs of individuals who are mentally handicapped and require more stable, longer-term living environments. Rehabilitation training and developmental programming form a significant but less intensive part of their services.

Adult Residential Centres seek close relationships with their neighbourhood communities and services (e.g., dentists, clinics, library services, sheltered workshops, and job-experience training). In many cases these people and facilities are closely involved with local branches of advocacy organizations working for the mentally handicapped and play a role in developing public awareness of the needs of the mentally handicapped.

Adult Residential Centres can currently accommodate 749 mentally handicapped people and are operated by various municipalities and municipal or private corporations. The Department cost-chares with municipalities towards the subsidized costs of these services.

Community Residential Services

Andre McConnell, B.A., M.S.W., Coordinator

Since 1969, when the first Group Home opened, the number of specialized community residences for mentally handicapped, mentally disabled and physically disabled adults has grown to 37.
The breakdown is as follows:

Group Homes for mentally handicapped persons	20
Developmental residences for mentally handicapped persons	10
Group Homes for mentally disabled persons	6
Group Homes for physically disabled persons	1
Total	37

These are all small residential facilities. Most were family homes renovated to accommodate 6–12 residents. Programs vary according to the needs of the residents. All stress development of the basic life and community-integration skills necessary to help the individual to eventually live as independently as possible.

The 37 homes provide a total of 157 licensed spaces for mildly to moderately mentally handicapped persons, 76 for moderately to severely mentally handicapped persons, 58 for mentally disabled persons and 6 for physically disabled persons. Residents normally work or take part in vocational and educational programs during the day.

They are encouraged to use available community services and recreational facilities whenever possible. Funding is shared by the municipal, provincial and federal levels of government.

A variety of community residential alternatives to institutional care continue to become available. In many parts of the province, apartment living arrangements are another option—two or more people share an apartment, with either live-in or drop-in supervision.

Community training homes operating in Kings and Digby counties are another alternative. They provide an opportunity for individuals to live in households in the community with private citizens. The surrogate parents (residential associates) are screened, trained and supervised by professional staff. The focus is on self-help skills and social adjustment for moderately to severely mentally handicapped individuals.

Supported living arrangements (Small Options) are now in operation in the Halifax metropolitan area, Kings County, New Glasgow, and Sydney. These options have been developed to provide housing and programs for up to three moderately to severely handicapped individuals in rented units in the community (e.g., house, flat, duplex). Most of the persons living in this type of situation had previously been living in developmental residences. Trained staff are provided through a combination of live-in and shift models.

Many mentally handicapped adults are also accommodated in residential care facilities and foster homes under the auspices of municipal governments.

The pilot project for the provision of respite care that began in January 1981 became an established program in July 1982. The main objective of this program is to provide occasional respite care for individuals living in the community and is intended to be utilized for emergencies, vacations and short breaks for the primary care provider. Except in extenuating circumstances, 30 days is recommended as the maximum annual stay for one person.

There is one Group Home for physically disabled adults, located in Halifax. This home provides living accommodations for six physically handicapped adults and is staffed on a full-time basis. The focus is to provide as independent a lifestyle as possible for each resident. Residents are expected to share the responsibilities of running the home, and most plan to upgrade their education with the ultimate goal of employment. Through the experiences gained from living in the home, many individuals have moved on to less-structured settings in the community.

Two proposals for additional community residences from communities in the western region of the province remain under consideration.

Municipal Social Services

Peter G. Barteaux, Director

The Provincial Social Assistance Act (Part II) authorizes municipalities to provide assistance to persons in need as defined in the Canada Assistance Plan, the Social Assistance Act and Regulations, and according to the municipal social services' policies.

A needs test is used to determine initial and ongoing eligibility and the amount of assistance required. Assistance payments are calculated by totalling the costs of basic requirements as described in municipal policies and then deducting the income that the municipality considers available for current maintenance. Items of special need may also be included in this calculation. A needs test is also employed to determine eligibility and the amount of assistance provided to persons in Homes for Special Care.

Each municipality must submit its social assistance policy once a year, on September 15th. Municipal policies must fall within the minimum requirements as stated in the Social Assistance Act and Regulations, and the Canada Assistance Plan, and must have the approval of the Minister of Community Services. Each municipality establishes and defines in policy the rates of assistance on an ongoing basis.

Municipal Social Services has two distinct programs: General Assistance and Homes for Special Care. The province cost-shares with municipalities in their expenditures for these programs and related administration costs.

General Assistance

The income maintenance program provided by municipalities is commonly referred to as General Assistance. The program is aptly named as it can cover a broad range of assistance. In fact the Social Assistance Act places all municipalities in a position where no case of need cannot be addressed. Assistance is provided for:

- basic requirements such as food, clothing, shelter, fuel, utilities, household supplies and personal requirements
- special requirements, such as furniture, living allowances, moving allowances, special transportation, training allowances, special school requirements, special employment requirements, funeral and burial expenses
- health care services—reasonable medical, surgical, obstetrical, dental, optical and nursing services—which are not covered under the Hospital Insurance Plan or under the Medical Services Insurance Plan
- social services, including family counselling, homemakers, home care and home nursing services, and
- rehabilitation services.

General Assistance is cost-shared with municipal units at a minimum of 75%, up to an approved budget, for all municipalities having municipal social service departments approved by the Minister of Community Services. Municipal expendituures in excess of provincially approved cost-sharing budgets are cost-shared at 50%.

The gross municipal expenditure for this program in fiscal 1988/89 was $53.3 million and the average caseload was 12,650. (See Tables 30 and 31 and Chart 7.)

The Government of Nova Scotia announced in the Throne Speech of the 54th General Assembly of the Legislature, Fourth Session, a task force to undertake an examination of the levels of cost-sharing for municipal General Assistance. The then Minister of the Department of Community Services, the Honourable Thomas J. McInnis, in consultation with the Department of Municipal Affairs, the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities and other concerned groups, established a task group to carry out an in-depth review and make recommendations on the administrative practices of these programs, particularly with reference to:

- provincial-municipal cost-sharing mechanisms
- levels and rates of assistance
- treatment of assets
- special needs, and
- eligibility criteria for financial assistance.

The task force report was completed and presented in November 1988.

Subsequent to the submission of the task force report, the Minister of Community Services, the Honourable Guy J. LeBlanc, met with the executive of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to review the report and develop an implementation strategy for the 32 recommendations contained within it.

The executive of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities is currently undertaking an analysis of the costs associated with the recommendations and preparing positional statements on such issues as:

- settlement
- cost-sharing
- items of special need, and
- health care costs in Homes for Special Care.

In addition, a number of recommendations were identified as requiring further study to assist in the formulation of policy. To complete this task and prepare a report, a working committee was established under the chairmanship of the provincial Director of Municipal Social Services. The committee consists of three members appointed from the executive of the Municipal Social Service Workers Association and three representatives from the Department of Community Services.

Homes for Special Care

Municipalities provide assistance with the costs of Homes for Special Care to persons in need, and approximately 75% of individuals in Homes require financial assistance.

In fiscal 1988/89, municipalities spent a total of $81.7 million in support of persons in all Homes exclusive of Regional Rehabilitation Centres. These expenditures are provincially cost-shared at 66 2/3%, up to an approved budget for each municipality. Municipal expenditures in excess of the approved cost-sharing budgets are the responsibility of the municipality. Expenditures for Regional Rehabilitation Centres, $14.7 million for fiscal 1988/89, are provincially cost-shared at 100%. (See Tables 32 and 33 and Chart 8.)

Following through on a commitment made by government in the 1988 session of the Legislature, legislative amendments have now been made so that the province, effective April 1, 1989, will cost-share at 66 2/3% all municipal expenditures made on behalf of persons in Homes for Special Care.

Administration

Administrative expenditures incurred by municipalities in the delivery of their social services programs are cost-shared under the same formula as General Assistance. In fiscal 1988/89, municipalities spent a total of $11.4 million for administration.

Homes for Special Care

Barbara Millar, R.N., D.T., B.Sc.N., P.G., M.Ed., Chief Supervisor

Special-care facilities throughout Nova Scotia provide supervisory and/or personal care for disabled and elderly Nova Scotians who are unable to live independently in the community. Homes for Special Care include 37 Homes for the Aged (3,526 beds), 23 Nursing Homes (1,968 beds), 65 Residential Care Facilities (1,190 beds), 10 Adult Residential Centres (776 beds and 27 specialized beds), 37 community-based residential facilities (298 beds), and three Regional Rehabilitation Centres (378 beds), for a total of 7,889 residents.

All people being admitted to Homes for Special Care who require public funds for care are classified through the provincial Classifications Committee, chaired by the Supervisor of Classifications and Assessments.

The admissions procedure includes an application for social assistance, a budget sheet, a social service worker's report, and a medical report to be completed by the applicant's personal physician.

The completed social service worker's report and the medical report are submitted by the municipal social service worker to the Department of Community Services for consideration. If the application is approved, the person may then be placed in an appropriate facility with the assurance that maintenance costs will be shared. When the application for admission to Homes for Special Care is not approved, an appeal may be made.

All facilities providing care and supervision for four or more residents are licensed under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act and Regulations. Standards are ensured in Homes for Special Care by inspections from provincial Community Services staff.

The functions of licensing inspections and monitoring standards in Homes for Special Care were decentralized in 1987. There is now one field assessment officer located in New Glasgow to cover the North Shore region, one in Kentville to cover the Central and Western regions, and one in Sydney to cover Cape Breton Island. These persons are provincial Community Services employees located in field offices.

Provincial staff responsible for the inspections and program development have expertise in nursing care, dietetic services and the psycho-social needs of the residents. Special consultants from the Department of Housing and Fire Marshal's Office are available to advise the Department of Community Services on technical matters relating to the construction and renovations of the Homes.

The procedure of per diem rate-setting has been decentralized and is no longer the responsibility of the Rate Review Committee. All per diem rates in Homes for Special Care are now negotiated by the Home operator with the Regional Tripartite Committee. The membership of the tripartite committee consists of members from the Nova Scotia Union of Municipalities, the Associated Homes for Special Care and the Department of Community Services. The agreed-upon rate is then circulated to all municipalities as the per diem rate for provincial cost-sharing purposes. The rate is then a condition of licensing for the year. If this procedure is not followed, and no budget is submitted by the Home, the previous rate remains in effect.

The Department, in conjunction with the Associated Homes for Special Care, promotes and conducts education seminars regionally for staff of the Homes. The philosophy underlying these seminars is that of total care for residents, using resources within the Home and the community to provide opportunities for residents to function to their fullest capacity. The Homes are to reflect a social model. The Associated Homes for Special Care have obtained funding through the Regional Industrial Training Committee to coordinate and effect workshops and seminars throughout the province in supervisory and management training and lifestyle management programs for staff in Homes.

The provincial government cost-shares municipal expenditures at 66 2/3% for persons requiring financial assistance in licensed Homes for Special Care.

A municipality, or two or more municipalities, may construct and operate Homes under the provisions of the Homes for Special Care Act. The actual responsibility for their administration then rests with the local municipalities within the provisions of the Municipal Housing Corporation Act. Their by-laws must be approved by the ministers of Community Services and Municipal Affairs.

All municipalities operating Homes for Special Care must appoint boards of management as stipulated by legislation.

During fiscal 1988/89, much activity in the development of new homes for Special Care and the renovation of existing facilities took place:

- a 50-bed replacement for Hazel Hill Home opened in October 1988
- an 18-bed extension for Grandview Manor opened
- a 15-bed Home for the Aged for Canso was under construction
- a 58-bed Nursing Home in Port Hawkesbury was under construction and to open in August 1989
- Glades Lodge renovations were completed
- a 35-bed Home for the Aged for Argyle was under construction
- consideration was being given to a 35-bed Home for the Aged for East Hants
- a 10-bed extension to Villa Acadienne was in the planning stage
- a 15-bed extension to Valley View Villa was approved
- a 28-bed Home for the Aged for Musquodoboit Valley was approved
- a 35-bed Home for the Aged for Sydney Mines was approved, and
- minor renovations were approved for other facilities.

Classifications and Assessments

Malcolm R. McFarlane, Ph.D., Supervisor

The Classifications and Assessments Section ensures that policies and procedures are developed and implemented with respect to classifications, assessments, admissions, readmissions and discharges relating to adult facilities licensed under the Homes for Special Care Act. It is also responsible for ensuring that, where appropriate, all applications for admission and readmission to these facilities are properly classified and that regular reassessments of residents are conducted in these facilities by Section staff and community health nurses.

During fiscal 1988/89, some 3,475 applications were received requesting classifications for admission or readmission to Homes for Special Care and/or reclassifications within the Homes. Thirty-two of these applications were subsequently cancelled; 115 applications were not approved, of which 23 were appealed and four appeals were granted. The number of applications received during the previous fiscal year was 3,262 and for 1986-87 it was 3,157.

The two largest referral sources of the 3,328 applications approved or reapproved were from hospitals and applicants' own homes. Thus 1,426, or approximately 43%, originated from general hospitals. An additional 321 referrals from in-patient psychiatric facilities created a total of 1,747, or approximately 53% of all applications approved or reapproved from all hospitals; 1,273 applications, or approximately 38%, were approved or reapproved from individual homes. Table 33 provides a statistical breakdown of the sources of referrals and the types of approvals made.

A companion approach to classifications is the reassessment of residents in Homes for Special Care. In this regard, the community health nurses of the Department of Health and Fitness assist in the reassessment of residents in licensed Nursing Homes and Homes for the Aged. These reassessments are conducted twice per year, usually in May/June and December/January. Approximately 5,400 residents are assessed twice per year. The information obtained from the reassessments is used for a variety of purposes, including to determine whether residents are continuing to receive the type of care they require and whether cost-sharing for residents and staffing patterns for the respective Homes must be revised in accordance with changes in care requirements.

The Section is also charged with determining the eligibility of applicants seeking admission to the Home Life Supports Program. This program is intended to meet the needs of senior citizens mentally and physically disabled as well as mentally handicapped persons who require full or part-time care so they can remain in their own homes and communities. These individuals would otherwise require placement in Homes for Special Care. During fiscal 1988/89, 343 applications were received, assessed and found eligible for this program. The total number of applications for the previous fiscal year was 255.

An integral part of the Section's mandate is to co-ordinate all information (social histories and psychological, educational and medical assessments, etc.) related to applications for admission to the programs for mentally handicapped children. This involves preparing the necessary documentation for the admissions committee and implementing the committee's decisions. Approximately 57 applications for admission were made to the mentally handicapped children's program during the fiscal year. A similar number was recorded for the previous year.

The Section is in the process of meeting with the Department of Health and Fitness to review the role and function of community health nurses with respect to their responsibilities for assessing residents in Homes for the Aged and licensed Nursing Homes. Moreover, meetings are being arranged with the Coordinated Home Care Division to develop a timetable for the eventual integration of both services.

Adult Protection Services

Nancy Cochrane, M.S.W., Coordinator

The Adult Protection Services Section provides protection from abuse and neglect for persons 16 years of age and over who lack the physical or mental ability to adequately care and fend for themselves.

Referrals from the community are investigated by five adult protection workers, located in Kentville, Halifax, and the North Shore and Cape Breton regional offices, and by 61 field staff who have designations under the Adult Protection Act.

The number of cases dealt with under the Act during fiscal 1988/89 was three times the number received during fiscal 1986/87, the first year of the service.

Statistics for the period April 1, 1988, to March 31, 1989, indicate the following trends:

1. The Halifax and Cape Breton regions received 60% of the referrals during fiscal 1988/89. Table 34 shows the distribution of referrals by region.
2. Seventy-six percent (410) of the referrals dealt with allegations of neglect. The reported cases of neglect involving a caregiver increased from 29% in 1987-88 to 46% in 1988-89. A shift in the age range of reported cases of neglect also occurred. In 1987-88, 81% of the reports were received on adults over the age of 65, but the percentage of reports on this age group decreased to 53% in 1988-89. (See Table 35.)
3. Ninety-one percent of the referrals received during 1988-89 were investigated. The remaining 9% were closed at the intake stage as inappropriate referrals.
4. Approximately 16% of the cases assessed were dealt with through court intervention. This percentage is up from 7% for the 1987-88 period.
5. The majority of referrals for service (50%) came from health and community service agencies.

During fiscal 1988/99, training seminars were held for designates and staff on court procedures under the Act. In addition, meetings were initiated with designates in the regional and district offices to clarify policy and procedure issues.

Public awareness of the legislation has been ongoing. Approximately 90 presentations to various community and government agencies were made by the Coordinator and Adult Protection staff.

Legal resources to assist with cases requiring court intervention have been identified in all regions of the province. Efforts continue toward identifying medical resources throughout the province to assist with the assessment of cases.

Amendments to the legislation, pertaining to interim orders and the power of the public trustee under Section 13 of the Act, were recommended to the legislative committee of Cabinet.

In summary, the statistical information for fiscal 1988/99 reflects a noticeable increase in the requests for service, and efforts were made through training opportunities, identification of resources, requests for legislative changes, and so on to ensure that these requests were handled effectively.

Dietetic Consultant Services

Fran Sutherland, M.Ed., P.Dt., Coordinator

A pilot project project evaluating a training program for managers of food service at special-care facilities was completed in January 1989. A new class began with 14 students.

The annual assembly of food service directors and dietitians was held October 19-20, 1988.

During 1988-89, 30 food service workers registered and/or graduated from the Associated Homes for Special Care and the Department of Community Services' Food Service Workers Program.

The Annual Cooks Workshop for day care and special care facilities cooks was held at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre in Truro. Twenty-eight cooks attended and received certificates from the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology, Department of Continuing Education. In a follow-up to the cooks workshop, a number of cooks have obtained certification to journeyman status through the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology, and others continue in its program in the regions and community colleges.

The *Management and Food Services Special Care Facilities Manual* has been updated and distributed and reviewed in all seven regions of the province. It will be reviewed on an annual basis.

The *Meals on Wheels/Wheels to Meal Directory* was updated and circulated to municipalities, special care facilities, senior councils, hospitals, regional administrators and district supervisors. The number and variety of programs continues to develop and increase. The luncheon program for seniors in the City of Halifax was expanded during the past year. A directory is available from the Coordinator.

The Environmental Services Supervisors Program for 1989 began in March. Nine students representing all regions of the province participated in the program. The program included supervisors of laundry, housekeeping and maintenance.

Direct services continue to be provided to the four Children's Training Centres, the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, the Shelburne Youth Training Centre and the Nova Scotia Residential Centre in developing the management of food services and menu planning.

The "Food Service Cost Survey" was conducted twice in 1989. The facilities were grouped according to type, and a summary was forwarded to each of the participating special-care facilities.

The 1989 draft of the *Nutritional Care Manual for Long Term Care* has been circulated to all facilities. The Nova Scotia Committee consisted of dietitians, supervisors and cooks from all regions of the province and from all types of facilities.

A meeting of dietetic consultants from Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia was held in August 1988.

Place setting for special-care facilities competitions were held in three regions of the province: Cape Breton, northern Nova Scotia and the Valley. Winners participated in the provincial Table Tops—CFSEA (Canadian Food Services Executive Association).

Evaluation and goal-setting continued with food service departments in special-care facilities. Renovations and updates continued at the facilities. Work on construction meetings for special-care facilities also continued throughout the year.

Food service staffing was upgraded with the addition of dietitians to the staff of a number of Homes for Special Care.

Participation on the Staffing Guidelines Committee continued in 1989.

Work on the Municipal Task Force Working Committee II was completed in 1988.

The brochure for the Healthy Baby Program was published in 1988.

The first provincial meeting of Meals on Wheels/Wheels to Meals was planned for 1989.

Cook's Workshop 1989, special care facilities and day care centres

Managers of Environmental Services 1989, special care facilities

Managers of Food Services 1989, special care facilities

Table 24

Sources and Types of Rehabilitation Cases Referred

1988-89

Amputations	25
Spinal cord injuries	121
Arthritis, rheumatism	66
Bone impairment	89
Cerebral palsy	34
Auditory	73
Visual	35
Alcohol and drug abuse	53
Neurological, epilepsy, polio	83
Respiratory	38
Cardiovascular	23
Mental deficiency	166
Mental illness or disorder	131
Miscellaneous	148
Total new cases referred	783
Total cases carried over	1,082
Total cases	1,865

Services Provided	**Number**	**Cost**
Assessment: medical and vocational	630	$29,000
Technical aids	114	$52,500
Special training costs	77	$7,850
Family Benefits/Rehabilitation fund	218	$119,000
Department of Advanced Education and Job Training VRDP expenditures		$2,000,000
Clients approved for training:		
Recommended	570	
Approved	558	
Entered	703	
Discontinued	130	
Completed	304	
Information from 345 cases closed:		
Number of cases closed — rehabilitated	204	
Number of cases closed — not rehabilitated	141	
Average age	27	
Average education (grade)	8	
Number receiving Family Benefits or municipal assistance	702	
Field office and collateral counselling interviews	986	

Table 25

Housing Statistics

January 1, 1988 – December 31, 1989

Family Benefits housing repair cases finalized	319
Dollar value	$3,181,789.90
New units built under Rural and Native Housing Program	9
Dollar value	$1,193,429.00
Units repaired under RRAP Housing Program	105
Dollar value	$892,355.69
Units repaired under NSHC's Small Loans Program	145
Dollar value	$610,560.85
Units built or purchased under Family Benefits Housing Program	42
Dollar value	$4,379,692.70
Total number of units	620
Total dollar value	$10,257,828.14

Table 26

Career Planning with Single Parents Caseload by Counsellor and Counties Served

March 31, 1989

Base Office	Counties Served	No. of Counsellors	Caseload
Yarmouth Regional	Yarmouth, Digby, Annapolis	1	89
Shelburne District	Shelburne	1	14
Lunenburg District	Lunenburg, Kings, Queens	1	107
Halifax Regional	Halifax, Hants	3	393
New Glasgow Regional	Pictou, Colchester, Cumberland, Guysborough	1	139
Sydney Regional	Cape Breton, Inverness, Richmond, Victoria	2	299
Total		9	1,041

Table 27

Children's Training Centres Statistics

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

	Dartmouth	Digby	Pictou	Sydney	Total
Permanent Admissions	4	0	3	1	8
Permanent Discharges:	4	6	3	1	14
To own home	1	0	0	0	1
Foster home	0	3	0	0	3
Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre	0	0	0	0	0
Palmeter's Nursing Care Unit	0	0	0	0	0
Nova Scotia Hospital	0	0	0	0	0
Deceased	0	0	0	1	1
Transferred	0	0	0	0	0
Adult facility	0	3	2	0	5
Other	3	0	1	0	4
Group Homes	0	0	0	0	0
Regional Rehabilitation Centre	0	0	0	0	0
Respite Admissions	40	9	21	2	72
Respite Discharges	41	9	21	2	73

Table 28

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre

1988-89

	Girls	Boys	Total
1. **Children in school, April 1, 1988**	46	100	146
2. **Admissions during year**			
(a) Children in care and custody	2	—	2
(b) Children in care	8	11	19
			21
3. **Discharges during year**			
(a) To own home	7	19	26
(b) Group Home	—	3	3
(c) Foster/Boarding home	2	3	5
(d) Institution	2	2	4
(e) Supervised apartment	—	—	—
			38
4. **Children in school, March 31, 1989**	45	84	129
5. **Total days of care to all children**			39,935

6. **Classification of admission (No. 2) by ages**

Age	**10**	**11**	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15**	**16**	**17**	**18**	**Total**
Girls	2	1	2	1	1	2	1	—	—	10
Boys	—	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	—	11
										31

7. **Classification of discharges (No. 3) by ages**

Age	**10**	**11**	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15**	**16**	**17**	**18**	**19**	**Total**
Girls	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	6	1	2	11
Boys	—	2	1	—	1	1	2	4	14	2	27
											38

8. **Classification of children by ages**

Age	**10**	**11**	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15**	**16**	**17**	**18**	**Total**
Girls	—	3	3	4	3	10	7	7	8	45
Boys	—	4	4	10	19	8	15	18	6	84
										129

9. **Total cost of operation** (excluding capital expenditures and maintenance of buildings and including adjustment for rents, meals and inventory adjustments):	$4,335,816
Number of child care days, 1988-1989	**39,935**
10. **Per diem rate**	**$112.87**

Table 29

Regional Rehabilitation Centre Statistics

April 1 1988 – March 31, 1989

Total in residence as of April 1, 1988	350
Total admissions, April 1, 1988–March 31, 1989	154
Discharges, April 1, 1988–March 31, 1989, to:	
Other Regional Rehabilitation Centres	4
Adult Residential Centres	3
Group Homes and Developmental Residences	17
Homes for Aged and Licensed Nursing Homes	6
Residential Care Facilities	21
In care of their family	11
Independent living	28
Hospitals	50
Died	4
Correctional centre	2
Drug and alcohol rehabilitation	1
Other	—
Total discharges April 1, 1988–March 31, 1989	146
Total in residence as of March 31, 1989	357
Total resident days	128,168

Table 30

Municipal Assistance Payments under the Social Assistance Act

Year	General Assistance	Homes for the Aged	Nursing Homes	Residential Care Facilities	Adult Residential Centres	Group Homes and Developmental Residences	Regional Rehabilitation Centres
1981	$19,614,346.56	$18,660,820.79	$9,928,505.53	$1,632,101.07	$7,485,568.87	$2,027,154.18	$10,557,847.00
1982	23,337,681.71	22,409,294.37	11,700,199.05	1,959,773.18	8,937,622.55	2,470,884.30	11,494,659.00
1983-84	25,605,816.40	25,201,771.85	12,361,888.88	2,075,380.92	9,492,993.24	2,853,024.51	11,741,755.00
1984-85	30,597,241.00	27,401,958.20	13,645,615.44	2,249,626.32	10,330,072.31	3,063,292.40	12,431,299.61
1985-86	35,901,905.00	28,896,729.27	14,638,114.73	2,510,181.05	11,035,494.32	3,250,253.51	13,037,882.26
1986-87	41,856,212.00	31,138,243.16	16,636,688.29	3,060,018.79	11,516,044.49	3,680,688.09	13,545,727.45
1987-88	48,129,639.00	34,146,148.06	19,524,226.21	3,654,962.17	11,593,195.98	4,644,394.72	14,073,674.95
1988-89	53,303,000.00	36,930,699.00	22,991,213.00	4,071,503.00	12,440,995.00	5,300,192.00	14,657,628.00

Table 31

Municipal Social Services Costs*

1988-89

Item	Gross Municipal Expenditure	Federal and Provincial Share	Net Municipal Expenditure
Administration	$11,432,173	$ 7,742,460	$ 3,689,713
General Assistance	53,303,000	36,300,000	17,003,000
Maintenance of persons in:			
Home for the Aged	36,930,699	21,859,349	15,071,350
Nursing Homes	22,991,212	13,727,714	9,263,499
Residential Care Facilities	4,071,503	2,432,489	1,639,014
Adult Residential Centres	12,440,995	7,339,533	5,101,462
Group Homes and Developmental Residences	5,300,192	3,709,824	1,590,368
Regional Rehabilition Centres	14,657,628	14,657,628	0

*All figures are for the period April 1, 1988 to March 31, 1989 except for Administration, which covers the period January 1, 1988 to December 31, 1988.

Table 32

Homes for Special Care
Bed Statistics

1988–89

County	Population	Over 65	Residential Care Facilities Number	Residential Care Facilities Beds	Nursing Homes Number	Nursing Homes Beds	Homes for the Aged Number	Homes for the Aged Beds	Total Number	Total Beds
Annapolis	23,590	3,580	6	66	2	93	1	106	9	265
Antigonish	18,775	2,135	1	40	0	0	1	106	2	146
Cape Breton	123,625	15,310	9	123	3	361	4	349	16	833
Colchester	45,090	5,850	6	163	2	166	1	51	9	380
Cumberland	34,820	5,750	7	172	2	131	1	65	10	368
Digby	21,850	3,400	2	35	0	0	2	152	4	187
Guysborough	12,720	1,840	0	0	1	30	1	50	2	80
Halifax	306,415	27,620	11	214	6	748	6	1,119	23	2,081
Hants	36,545	3,970	3	29	0	0	3	255	6	284
Inverness	21,945	2,750	2	22	0	0	2	120	4	142
Kings	53,275	6,285	7	149	2	163	1	100	10	412
Lunenburg	46,485	7,075	2	31	1	35	4	288	7	354
Pictou	49,775	6,940	3	61	1	94	3	349	7	504
Queens	13,125	2,110	1	28	1	42	1	60	3	130

County	Population	Over 65	Residential Care Facilities Number	Residential Care Facilities Beds	Nursing Homes Number	Nursing Homes Beds	Homes for the Aged Number	Homes for the Aged Beds	Total Number	Total Beds
Richmond	11,845	1,640	1	12	0	0	2	99	3	111
Shelburne	17,515	2,225	2	25	1	26	1	65	4	116
Victoria	8,700	1,225	0	0	0	0	2	89	2	89
Yarmouth	27,075	4,025	2	20	1	79	1	103	4	202
Total	873,170	103,740	65	1,190	23	1,968	37	3,526	125	6,684

Note: Population figures are based on the 1986 Canada Census.

Table 33

Persons Approved to and from Homes for Special Care

April 1, 1988 – March 31, 1989

Approved From	Licensed Nursing Homes	Homes for the Aged I: Supervisory and Personal Care	Homes for the Aged II: Intensive Personal Care	Residential Care Facilities	Homes for the Aged: Psychogeriatric	Residential Care Facilities	Regional Rehabilitation Centres	Adult Residential Centres	Group Homes	Developmental Residences	Foster Homes	Total
Own home	3	610	452	4	92	37	18	45	12	—	1,273
General hospital	8	423	886	16	56	16	15	6	—	—	1,426
Nova Scotia Hospital	1	26	27	—	51	46	23	15	—	—	189
Other psychiatric facilities	—	16	15	1	19	50	20	10	1	—	132
Homes for the Aged	—	42	47	—	2	5	—	—	—	—	96
Licensed nursing homes	11	11	28	1	2	2	—	1	—	—	56
Residential care facilities	—	7	16	—	15	4	4	—	1	—	47
Regional Rehabilitation Centres	—	2	5	—	2	2	3	11	5	—	30
Adult Residential Centres	—	—	—	—	—	6	2	5	1	—	14
Developmental residences	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	2	—	3
Group Homes	—	—	—	—	—	3	3	4	—	—	10
Foster homes	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0
Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	3	3	—	7
Children's Training Centres	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	—	4	—	10
Other	—	4	11	—	4	9	2	4	1	—	35
Totals	23	1,141	1,487	22	243	180	98	104	30	—	3,328

Table 34

Adult Protection Services: Referrals by Region

April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

Registered	**Number of Referrals**	**Percentage of Total Referrals**
Halifax	252	33%
Cape Breton	210	27
Central	101	13
South Shore	63	8
Western	64	8
Valley	47	6
North Shore	36	4
Total	773	100%

Table 35

Adult Protection Services:
Type of Cases

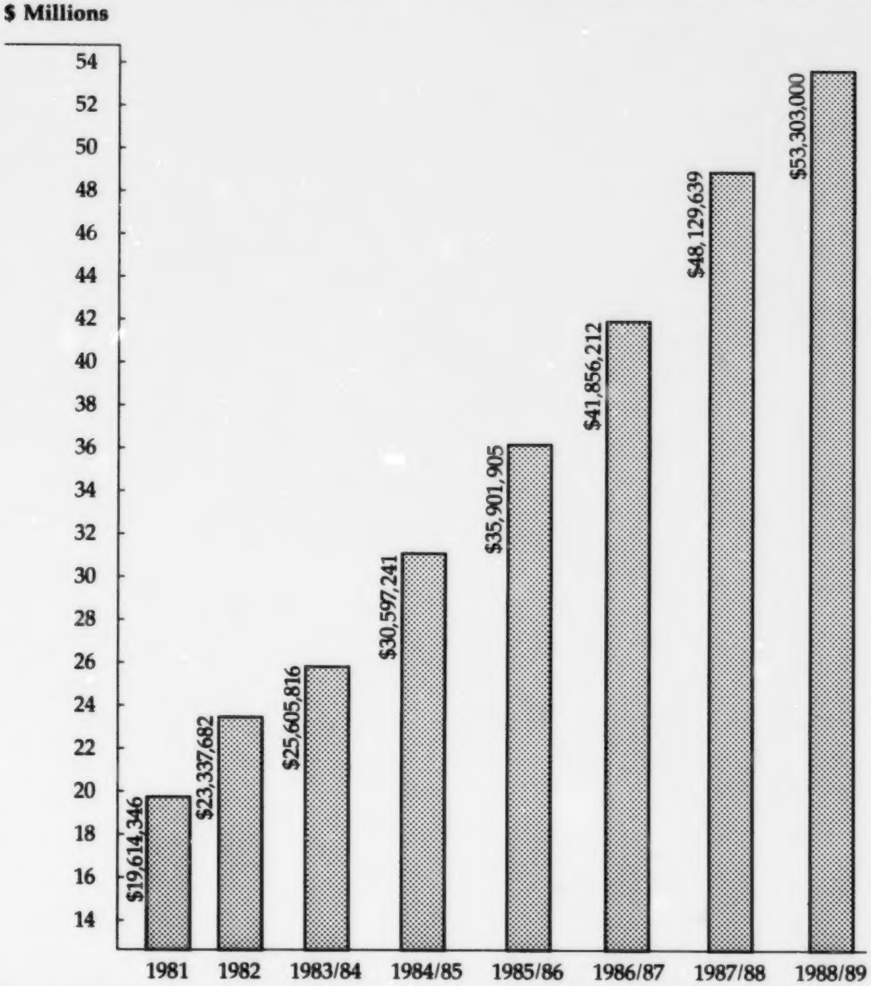
April 1, 1988 - March 31, 1989

Cases	Neglect		Abuse		
	Age 65+	Under Age 65	Age 65+	Under Age 65	Totals
Cases carried forward from previous year	28	32	29	15	104
Number of new cases	410	178	100	85	773
Total number of cases	438	210	129	100	877

Chart 7

Municipal General Assistance to Persons in Need

1981 - 1988/89

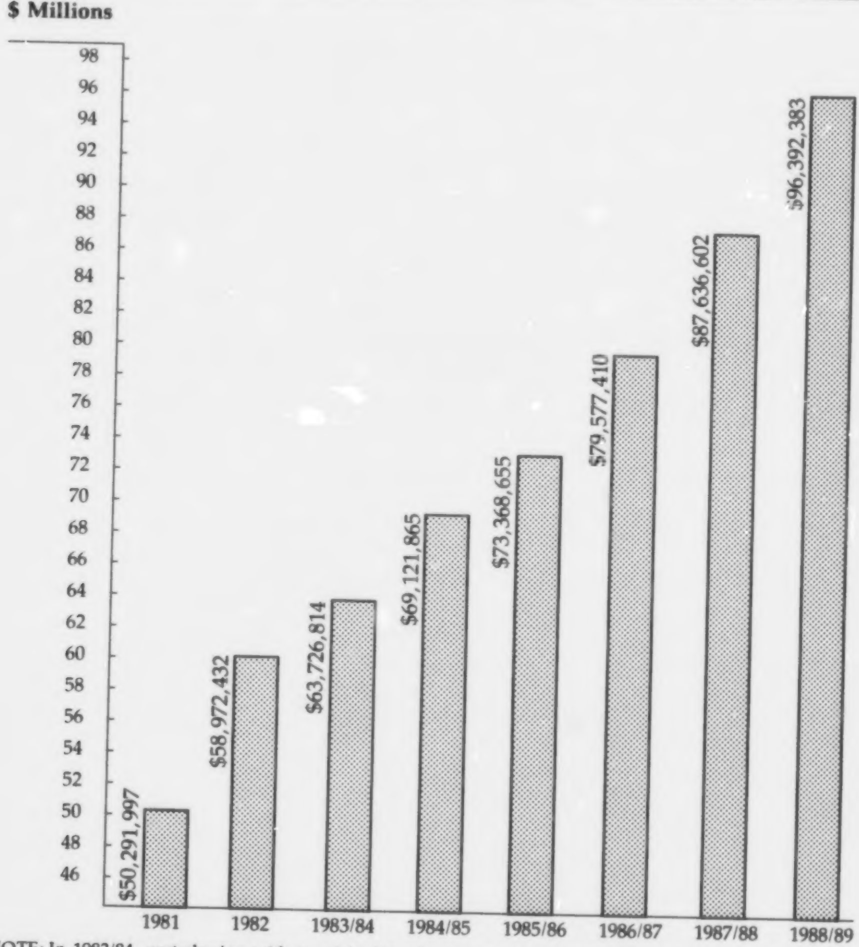


Note: In 1983/84, cost-sharing with municipalities began on a fiscal-year basis, April 1st to March 31st.

Chart 8

Homes for Special Care
Municipal Assistance to Persons in Need

1981 - 1978/89



NOTE: In 1983/84, cost-sharing with municipalities began on a fiscal-year basis, April 1st to March 31st. The 1988/89 Regional Rehabilitation Centre expenditure was $14,657,628.

Research, Planning and Management Information Services Division

Bessie Harris, M.S.W., Administrator

The Research, Planning and Management Information Services (MIS) Division provides support services to the other six divisions of the Department and to the offices of the Minister and Deputy Minister. It operates in seven sections:

- Policy, Planning and Research
- Community Services Training Programs
- Staff Training
- Library
- Information Services
- Management Information Systems, and
- Indian Affairs.

Policy, Planning and Research Section

Elizabeth McNaughton, M.S.W., M.A.
Director, Policy, Planning and Research

Staff of the Research, Planning and Management Information Services Division

This Section continues to be responsible for program design, implementation and evaluation; policy analysis; research; and federal-provincial-territorial relations and negotiations. This past year, staff were again heavily involved in federal-provincial matters. Negotiations relating to the Young Offenders Act, the Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreement, the Canada Pension Plan, the Canada Assistance Plan, and the federal Child Care Strategy continued. Staff of the Division participated on a number of federal-provincial committees related to the various negotiations.

The Agreement to Enhance the Employability of Social Assistance Recipients was signed in November 1987. Along with the Department of Community Services, the provincial Department of Advanced Education and Job Training and the federal Departments of Health and Welfare and the Employment and Immigration are parties to the agreement. The agreement provides for targets for the participation of social assistance recipients in the Canadian Jobs Strategy, as well as $5 million for training and employment projects. Staff of the Division continue to be involved on the management committee responsible for implementing the agreement and in conducting an evaluation of the initiative.

In cooperation with federal officials, staff continue to supervise and monitor the evaluation of the Young Offenders Community Development Project being completed by a consultant.

The major research project, "Mothers and Children," a follow-up to "Vulnerable Mothers, Vulnerable Children," a study published in 1981, is being conducted under contract to the Institute for the Study of Women at Mount Saint Vincent University with funding from Health and Welfare Canada and is nearing completion. Staff of the Division, along with an advisory committee of professionals, are actively involved in monitoring the progress of the project, which is due to be completed in the fall of 1989.

During the year the evaluation of the Adult Protection Program continued. As well, staff participated in evaluation efforts related to home care assessment and the Healthy Baby Program.

Staff participated in a number of interdepartmental endeavours such as the Community Development Issue Group, the Interdepartmental Committee on the Status of Women, and the Task Force on Financing of Homemaker/Home Care Agencies. Staff were also actively involved in updating the program plan for the Department and participated on committees established as part of the government-wide strategic planning initiative.

Community Services Training Programs

Robert G. Haley, M.S.W., M.Ed., E.C.O.M., Chief Instructor

The Community Services Workers' Course was not offered during the academic year 1988-89 and will not be reoffered. Staff from this program are now engaged on a full-time basis in staff training programs in the Department.

In addition to meeting the Department's own staff development needs, three ongoing decentralized training programs in Homes for Special Care are offered.

The Personal Care Workers' Course provides knowledge and skills required to care for residents in facilities with nursing care, especially licensed Nursing Homes and Homes for the Aged. This course is co-sponsored by the Associated Homes for Special Care and the Department of Community Services. It is offered throughout Nova Scotia in facilities that meet the established course criteria. Since its inception in 1978, 2,113 people have written the provincial examinations.

The Residential Care Workers' Course is a modified version of the Personal Care Workers' Course and is offered in facilities where nursing care is not provided (residential care facilities). There is no internship required for this training.

The Developmental Workers' Course is designed on the developmental model with the major emphasis on goal planning, behaviour management, and behaviour-modification techniques. It was designed for the staff in adult residential centres, regional residential centres and Group Homes for the mentally handicapped and mentally disabled. This course was developed by the staff in the above facilities in conjunction with the Staff Training Unit of the Department of Community Services. During the past year, 151 staff from four different facilities in Nova Scotia wrote the provincial examinations for certification.

Staff Training

Joan Parks, M.S.W., Supervisor

The purpose of the Staff Training Section is to orient, update and upgrade the skills of personnel so they may provide the highest quality of service to clients.

A range of methods such as surveys, interviews, small group meetings and input from supervisors are used to identify staff training needs, set staff development priorities and develop the annual Staff Training Plan. Training programs are designed in consultation with the various program divisions of the Department. The Staff Training Advisory Committee assists in developing training programs and has representation from regions, facilities and Head Office staff.

The annual Staff Training Plan sets out a schedule of training seminars and opportunities for the coming year. The plan is circulated in the form of a calendar to all offices, Family Courts and institutions in the early fall.

During 1988-89, 91 in-service seminars, workshops and presentations were offered to about 1,850 staff in the Department's field offices and institutions across the province. Staff from the children's aid societies and other social service agencies were invited to participate in various training events during the year.

The training unit continued to address recommendations of the 1987 *Report of the Task Force on Family and Children's Services* and placed emphasis on training child welfare staff, supervisors and managers.

Dr. Don Tubesing, Train-the-Trainer in Stress Management Program

A new four-part Personnel Management Program was developed and was well received by staff. In addition, sessions were organized for many other groups of staff such as vocational rehabilitation counsellors, Family Benefits and Adult Protection workers, clerical staff, child care workers, staff in facilities and day care licensing staff.

The initiation of the new Coordinated Home Care Program necessitated training a large number of staff from our Department, the Department of Health and Fitness and other professionals in the community. Training for assessors and backup assessors was delivered to approximatley 300 individuals.

During 1988-89 the area of stress management became a priority because of the many training requests the Staff Training unit received. In October 1988, Dr. Don Tubesing, the Minnesota author and publisher of Whole Person Press (specializing in books on wellness promotion and stress management), delivered a three-day train-the-trainer program to 16 Department staff. This training enabled our staff to offer other staff in their regions and facilities seminars of a preventive nature on stress. Staff are encouraged to consider their lifestyles and work habits and to focus on positive changes they would like to make.

Three staff members attended a week-long foundation workshop and training for trainers course in suicide intervention. This training enabled staff to deliver a two-day foundation workshop designed to increase the capabilities of line staff to prevent the immediate risk of suicide. Two workshops were delivered to a total of about 30 staff.

The Training and Conference Committee meets several times a month to review requests for staff to attend external training such as annual conferences and skill development workshops or courses. During 1988-89 approximately 375 staff attended training courses above and beyond those sponsored by the Department.

Four orientation workshops were organized for approximately 60 new field staff which assisted them in understanding the structure, organization and programs of the Department. A new clerical orientation program was developed focusing on knowledge of Department programs and public relations skills. Twenty-five clerical staff participated in two workshops. The written orientation course for field staff was revised, expanded and piloted.

The Staff Training Section manages an audio-visual library containing about 400 films, videotapes and slide programs which are distributed to departmental offices, agencies and facilities for in-service training and public education.

Library

Jane Phillips, B.A., M.L.S., Librarian

The Department of Community Services Library provides literature and information support for Department staff through the purchase of books, reports and periodical subscriptions relevant to the program areas of the Department. Materials are routed not only to Head Office staff but also to staff in the regional and district offices and institutions. University students and faculty use the Library's resources, as do staff from social agencies, other government departments and members of the general public. Almost 700 books were loaned this year.

The Library subscribes to 110 periodicals, journals and newsletters, most of which are circulated to Department staff. Annual reports for other provincial departments of community services and health, selected federal government departments and the children's aid societies are collected and updated by the Library, as are selected Statistics Canada publications. Public accounts for other provincial governments and the federal budget are available for use. The Library houses Nova Scotia and federal legislation. Requests for information not available in the departmental library can be filled through access to all Canadian library collections through the inter-library loan system coordinated by the Nova Scotia Provincial Library. The Department Library participates in information exchange through its membership in the Nova Scotia

Government Libraries Council. Information on Library resources and services is given at Staff Training orientation sessions.

Information Services

Anne Woods, B.A., B.Ed., Public Information Officer

During the year the information officer worked closely with others in the Department to provide public information and media relations, programs and services. This resulted in the production of a number of pamphlets, including those on the Healthy Baby Program, Homes for Special Care, and Adult Protection. Other pamphlets still in stages of production are on summer employment programs, adoption, municipal social assistance, the appeals process, and how to choose a day care centre.

Acting as editor and working with an editorial board representing head office and each of the seven regions, the information officer oversaw the production of the first three issues of the departmental newsletter, "Community Services News." This four-page quarterly is designed to help keep staff informed about departmental programs, policies and personnel.

As part of the department's promotional activities, a number of media releases were distributed on topical issues such as grants, legislative changes and the appointment of home care staff. A slide/tape show on how to choose a day care centre was also developed for promotional purposes.

Of special significance was a comprehensive promotion of Foster Family Week that included a paid advertisement in all the province's daily and weekly newspapers praising foster parents for their commitment to foster children. In addition, a feature story and picture on fostering were distributed to these newspapers, and a paid 30-second advertisement promoting fostering was aired on two television networks during Foster Family Week in October.

Management Information Systems

T.J. Conrad, B.Sc., Director

The Management Information Systems and Computer Services Section provides funding, human resources and computer equipment for the planning, development and operation of automated systems in support of departmental objectives.

In 1975 the Department of Community Services, with support from Health and Welfare Canada, initiated the development of an integrated, computer-based Management Information System (MIS). This MIS has continued to grow with new programs and services being added each year. Both management and field staff benefit from these systems, as do the clients of the Department in the form of improved services. In many cases (the Family Benefits income assistance program being one example) client services could not be delivered without the aid of computerized systems.

The Department's computer systems retain information about clients, programs and services.

The Department provides a complex array of programs and services, many of which are assisted by computer technology. Fiscal 1988/89 saw significant MIS progress in many areas, the highlights of which are described below.

Computer Communications Network

By the end of 1988 the Community Services computer communications network had been fully integrated into the provincial network operated by the Department of Government Services. The network now extends to 17 Community Services offices, provides high-speed data links between major centres, and will allow easier extensions to more remote communities. The Department has 300 computer terminals, printers, controllers and microcomputers of varying capabilities distributed throughout the province, and this number will double over the next three years.

Information Centre

In 1988 the Department formalized its Information Centre to provide consulting, training and support for office systems and end-user computing, and to play a major role in long-range strategic planning.

In its first year of operation, with a staff of one and support from the MIS Help Desk, the centre planned for and implemented 40 microprocessors for various functions, including word processing, spreadsheets, database, and graphics. Plans are underway to implement electronic mail, extend end-user computing and to reissue a long-range strategic plan in 1989.

Production Centre

The Production Centre provides centralized services to the Department which include the Help Desk, Data Entry and Control, Data Integrity, and Technical Support.

The Help Desk provides day-to-day assistance to users in the areas of training, acceptance testing of new systems functions, and the central coordination of system and software problem reporting and resolution. In 1988 the Help Desk was strengthened by the addition of the network operation staff, bringing both groups together to provide a better service to users.

The Data Entry and Control group provides centralized data-entry services, operation of the system printer and report distribution, as well as production job scheduling. The group is also involved in the application of system security procedures.

The Data Integrity group provides a service to the Department by analyzing production databases for the purpose of maintaining data integrity.

The Technical Support group, consisting of five professional systems staff, is responsible for the host computer environment in which most production computer applications exist. They plan for and implement upgrades to database management systems, transaction processors, and application software. They research new technology and improved methods of processing data in the mainframe computer environment. Production support services are provided on a 24-hour basis.

Family and Children's Services

The case management system for Family and Children's Services was the largest project during 1988. Design and program construction was completed and, by March 1989, testing, training and conversion were well under way for three pilot sites. Implementation and use of the system in a live production environment was scheduled for April 1989.

When fully implemented the system will provide computerized case-management tools for all 18 children's aid societies, family and children's services agencies, and district offices throughout the province. It supports services for protection, children in care, adoption, single parents, foster parents, and family counselling.

The case management system will provide many benefits to field workers, their supervisors and administrative staff. Some of the overall benefits are:

- consistent child welfare procedures, focusing on goal-oriented case management, across all agencies province-wide
- adherence to legislation as defined in the Children's Services Act
- prior contact checking for clients through the departmental client registry across all program areas
- immediate access to a wide variety of information on clients or cases allowing more effective communication among workers within and between agencies
- automatic generation of monthly, quarterly and yearly statistics, and a variety of other summary reports which will allow management to perform reliable trend analysis
- reduction in daily administration time for field workers, allowing them more time to spend on client-related work rather than paper work, and
- independence of system structure from the application areas for child welfare, resulting in minimum impact if new program areas need to be integrated or if rules need to be changed because of new legislation.

Security System

With the increasing amount of sensitive client data available through the Department's online systems, a project was initiated in November 1987 to develop a security system to manage the access to data by the differing levels of staff within the Department. The system accommodating all online systems is scheduled to be installed in April 1989 with the Family and Children's Services case management system.

Family Court Enforcement

A microcomputer-based information system for Family Court Enforcement Services was installed in two pilot locations in 1987. As the result of an evaluation of these two locations, a change in direction was deemed necessary; the system is to be enhanced and installed on the host mainframe computer. This will provide an interface with the client registry, cheque production, and security systems. During this year the new system architecture and design was completed. Program construction will continue next year with a projected completion date of December 1989. This system will migrate to all Family Court enforcement offices throughout the province.

Young Offenders Act Tracking and Record Keeping

In 1987 a project was initiated to design and develop an information system to support tracking, record maintenance, and reporting requirements of the Young Offenders Act. Through structured workshops, users helped to define system requirements and participated in the development of a prototype model system. Prior to the initiation of the program construction phase, the Department approached the departments of the Attorney General and the Solicitor General about the possibility of integrating the requirements of all three departments into a single information system to manage youth justice in Nova Scotia. It was agreed in the spring of 1988 to proceed on this basis, by enhancing the Attorney General's Provincial Court Information System (PCIS) to handle the justice system requirement of all three departments.

This year saw the consolidation of requirements, a completed system design and commencement of programming. To be implemented in stages, the first release of the new Justice Information System (JIS) should be available early in 1990.

Coordinated Home Care Program

A feasibility study was conducted to determine the need to use information technology to support the implementation and ongoing operation of the new Coordinated Home Care Program. With representation from the departments of Community Services, Housing, Municipal Affairs and Health and Fitness, a report recommending that a systems project be undertaken was completed. Pending funding and approval to proceed, work in this area will continue into 1989-90.

Indian Affairs

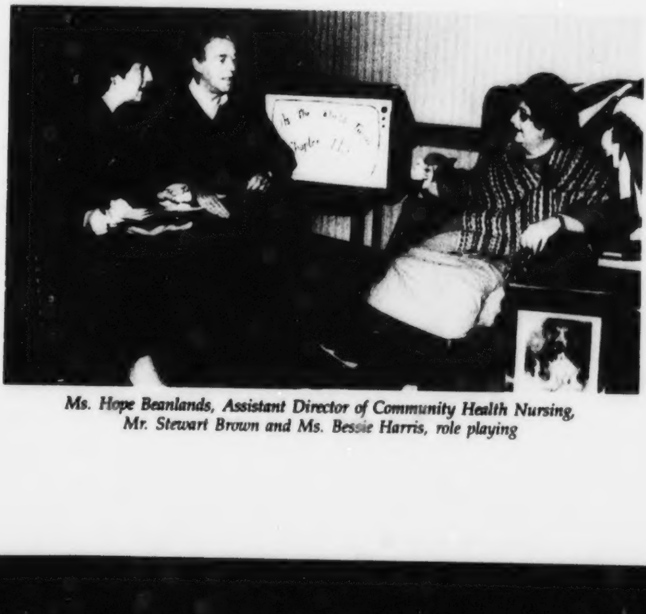
Allan Clark, B.P.E., M.U.R.P., Coordinator

The Micmac population of Nova Scotia has four major organizations: the Union of Nova Scotia Indians, the Confederacy of Mainland Micmacs, the Native Council of Nova Scotia, and the Nova Scotia Native Women's Association. There are approximately 10,000 Micmacs in Nova Scotia—approximately 7,000 status Indians and 2,500–3,000 non-status Indians.

The Nova Scotia government established a Cabinet Committee on Aboriginal Affairs in 1984. This committee now includes the Ministers of Education, Health and Fitness, Lands and Forests, Small Business Development, Tourism and Culture, Advanced Education and Job Training, and the Attorney General, with the Minister of Community Services as Chairman.

Highlights of this past year were:

- The Cabinet Committee on Aboriginal Affairs met with Native organizations on several aboriginal issues.
- A subcommittee made up of three Native organizations and the provincial government was established to negotiate an Interim Hunting Agreement.
- The Canada–Nova Scotia–Indian Child Welfare Subsidiary Agreement was signed, providing financial support for the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency to carry out this mandate.
- The Cabinet Committee met with the Minister and Deputy Minister of the federal Department of Indian and Northern Affairs on related aboriginal concerns.
- The government of Nova Scotia provided financial assistance to a number of Native projects such as the Pictou Landing Multi-Purpose Building, archaeological digs, the Native Council of Nova Scotia, youth travel grants, Pow Wow '88, and the Native Friendship Centre.
- An interprovincial committee meeting on aboriginal affairs was held in Winnipeg.
- The Nova Scotia Museum produced a video called "The Wrath Makers."
- A committee was formed to look at the development of Native tourism in the province.



Ms. Hope Beanlands, Assistant Director of Community Health Nursing, Mr. Stewart Brown and Ms. Bessie Harris, role playing

Field Services and Personnel Division

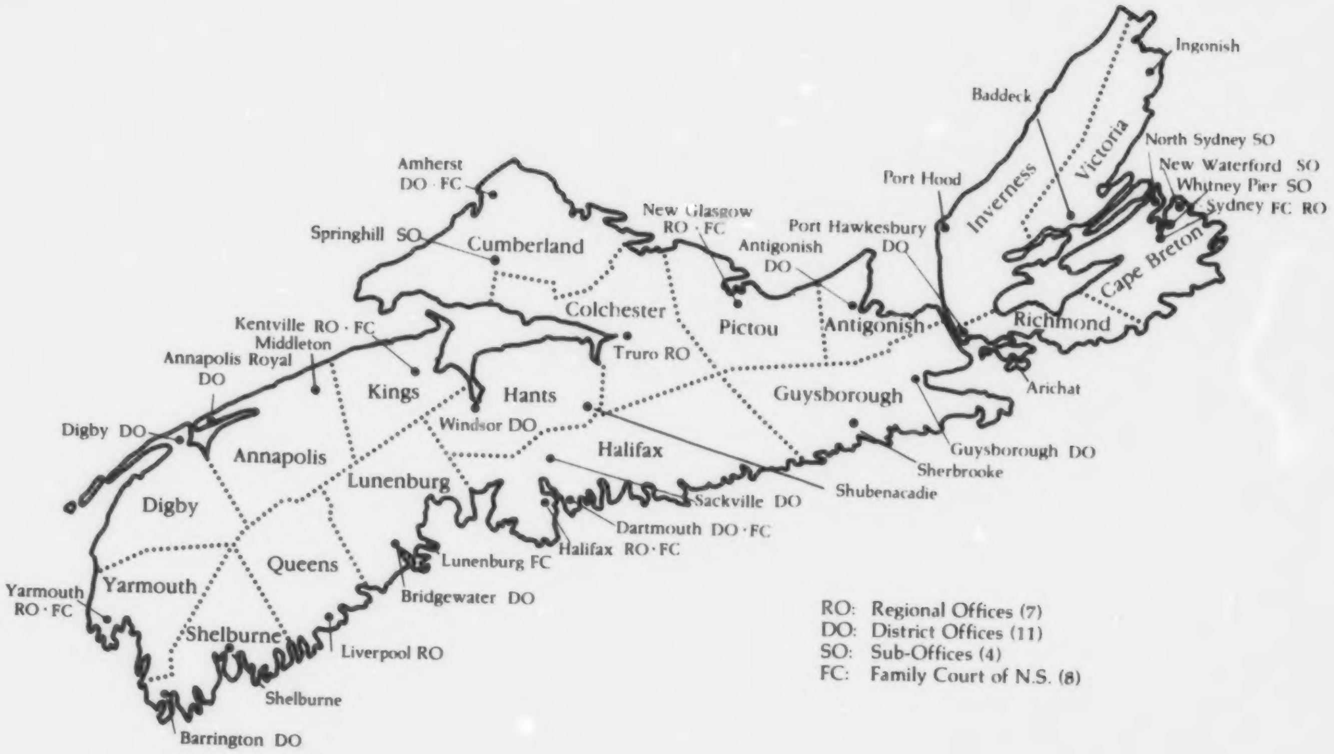
Joseph A. MacKinnon, M.S.W., Director

The Field Services and Personnel Division is responsible for the management of seven regional and eleven district offices as well as Family Court and psychological services throughout the province. The division also provides personnel services to all staff of the Department of Community Services.

The regional and district offices and Family Courts throughout the province provide the following services to the public:

- financial assistance—Family Benefits and Municipal Social Services in certain areas
- Rehabilitation Services
- Family and Children's Services in certain areas
- young offender services
- adult services in the Family Court
- community service projects in certain areas, and
- Psychological Services.

Space allocations, including the acquisition of additional and/or expanded space, renovations, and alterations to existing facilities are dealt with through the Field Services and Personnel Division in consultation with the Department of Government Services.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Staff of the Field Services and Personnel Division

Personnel Services Section

The Personnel Services Section operates under the direction of the Director of Field Services and Personnel and includes a personnel manager, a supervisor of personnel services, a personnel clerk and a secretary. This Section is responsible for a comprehensive program of personnel services for the entire Department. As of March 31, 1989, the total staff complement for the Department of Community Services was 982, including 380 staff in the field offices. (See Tables 36 and 37.)

Services provided include:

- the recruitment, selection and placement of all staff in the Department
- the coordination of personnel services and procedures for the entire Department, including a centralized personnel system providing salary and wage administration, an automated personnel-record control system, performance appraisal and related services, and
- consultation to the Minister, Deputy Minister and divisional heads on personnel-related matters.

The Section processed 114 appointments and/or transfers during fiscal 1988/89, and 54 separations made up of a combination of resignations, retirements and transfers from the Department. A total of 49 new positions were added to the staff complement during the fiscal year.

The Department continues to promote an affirmative action program that insures that all candidates are given equal opportunity to compete for positions within the Department of Community Services. A total of 15 permanent or casual affirmative action candidates were appointed to the staff of the Department during fiscal 1988/89.

The Personnel Services Section is responsible for all personnel transactions and for the coordination of such transactions between the Department, the Civil Service Commission, Management Board and the Department of Finance in accordance with existing legislation, negotiated agreements, and Civil Service Commission policies and procedures.

During fiscal 1988/89, the development of the provincial government's computerized Human Resources Management System (HRMS) began in cooperation with the Department of Government Services, Management Board, the Civil Service Commission and the Department of Community Services. HRMS will enable departments to implement personnel transactions directly into the computer with a capacity to have such transactions electroncially authorized at all authority levels.

Psychological Services

During the 1988/89 fiscal year, Psychological Services provided assessments to 661 clients associated with the Department of Community Services and various private agencies. Recommendations for additional counselling and other resources were also made to ensure that clients receive appropriate follow-up services.

The assessment component of this service provides evaluation of both children and adults. Although the type of assessment may vary according to request, the assessments most utilized include evaluations of intelligence, social development, language skills, academic skills, vocational aptitude, perceptual skills, and interest. These assessments were conducted by psychological technicians based in Halifax, Truro and Sydney.

Approximately 70% of evaluations were completed on adult clients associated with the rehabilitation programs for single parents and the disabled. Utilizing a comprehensive battery of tests, direction is provided to clients and workers regarding placements, potential for vocational or university training, and aptitudes. Information is also provided on assessed interest areas. By comprehensive analysis of the test results, the client's social history and other factors that might affect training, recommendations of appropriate training programs, work placements and so on are made.

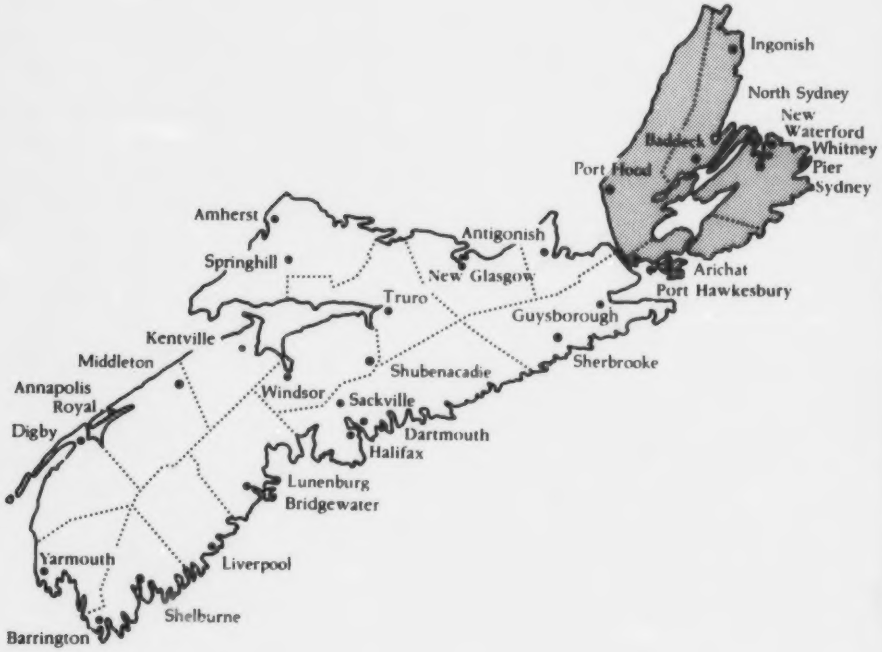
Assessments are provided to both preschool and school-aged children. Assessments on preschool children are usually conducted to provide information regarding school readiness, social and intellectural development, and level of functioning prior to adoption. Utilizing this service, workers are assisted in providing parents, foster parents, day care staff and others with an indication of areas that should receive extra stimulation. Indication is also provided regarding the need for additional community resources, such as a speech therapist or day care placement. School-aged children are assessed for similar reasons and to provide information regarding appropriate school placements, along with other community resources that might aid in development.

A specialized battery for assessing the visually impaired has been developed. Research is also now being conducted to create a vocational battery of tests for hearing-impaired clients. New testing tools have been added and revised tests have been purchased to ensure that the most effective tests available are utilized.

Psychological Services continues to provide evaluations for placement in programs, as requested by both the Services for the Mentally Handicapped and the Nova Scotia Residential Centre admissions committee. In addition, regular updates are provided at the Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre, Children's Training Centres and, upon request, at the Nova Scotia Residential Centre and the Shelburne Youth Centre. Evaluations are also provided of children and adults as directed by Family Court Judges.

Regional Offices

Cape Breton Region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Baddeck (circuit)

Cape Breton Regional Office

F.A. "Sandy" Bowes, Regional Administrator
Frank Capstick, Assistant Regional Administrator

The Cape Brton Regional Office is located at the Provincial Building, 360 Prince Street, Sydney, and maintains sub-offices in New Waterford, North Sydney and Whitney Pier.

The Cape Breton Regional Office mainly serves Cape Breton and Victoria counties with its Family Benefits program. All four counties on Cape Breton Island are served by the Cape Breton Regional Office with Family Court, Rehabilitation, Community Services, Coordinated Home Care, and Adult Protection programs, as well as by the Coordinator of Homes for Special Care and the Coordinator of Services to the Mentally Handicapped.

Family Benefits

In the past fiscal year, 1,776 new applications were processed and a field staff of 14 served a caseload of 6,500 in the two counties served by the Cape Breton Regional Office.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services offers vocational services to physically and mentally disabled and mentally handicapped persons through the Vocational Rehabilitation for Disabled Persons Act. About 270 persons were provided assessment, counselling and referral services by three counsellors in the Cape Breton Regional Office.

A caseload of about 340 single-parent Family Benefits recipients in the Cape Breton Region was served by two career counsellors. Under the single-parent program, qualified single-parent recipients are provided counselling and financial assistance to overcome the barriers that prevent them from becoming employed.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program, under the direction of the assistant regional administrator, provides consultation to all Municipal Social Services units on Cape Breton Island through the coordinator of financial programs. A regional policy approved by all municipal units on Cape Breton Island ensures the delivery of a quality Municipal Social Services Program.

The great majority of Municipal Social Services employees are employed by their municipal units but maintain a close liaison with our regional office.

Contractual agreements exist between the Department of Community Services and the municipality of North Sydney to provide Municipal Social Services programs in this area. The staff are employees of the Department of Community Services, but the responsibility for policy rests with the municipal unit.

Community Services

The Community Services program provides assistance to individuals and groups to upgrade their housing. As well the program provides day care services by determining eligibility for subsidized day care and recommending relicensing for all private day-care centres in Cape Breton. A casework supervisor, day care coordinator and secretary provide service in the New Waterford office and a field worker delivers the program in North Sydney.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The regional coordinator for the Coordinated Home Care Program manages the coordinated delivery of a range of health, housing and social services provided to meet the needs of clients in the program. All 10 homemaker agencies in Cape Breton have been chosen as entry points into the Coordinated Home Care Program. They provide access to all municipal units on Cape Breton Island with the exception of Louisbourg. As of March 31, 1989, approximately 1,300 clients were receiving Coordinated Home Care Program services in the Cape Breton Region.

Volunteerism is vigorously promoted by the Coordinated Home Care Program. In the 1988/89 fiscal year, six community-based organizations were assisted in developing or expanding volunteer services through the program's volunteer initiatives grants.

Adult Protection Services

The Adult Protection Act was proclaimed on June 6, 1986. Two adult protection workers are located in the Cape Breton Region, one in

Sydney and the other in Port Hawkesbury. In addition, seven departmental employees are empowered to act as designated—four in the Sydney office and three in the Port Hawkesbury District Office. Approximately 20 new referrals are made each month. The majority of referrals are for persons over the age of 60 who are reported to be in a state of neglect. A very small percentage are actual abuse cases, and very few cases require court intervention. In many instances, the adult protection worker is able to utilize community resources to resolve many of the situations that have been referred.

Homes for Special Care

The field assessment officer for Homes for Special Care monitors the standard of care received by the 1,431 residents in the 38 Homes for Special Care located on Cape Breton Island. These homes are:

- three Nursing Homes
- 10 Homes for the Aged
- 12 residential care facilities
- 10 Group Homes
- two Adult Residential Centres, and
- one rehabilitation facility.

The field assessment officer prepares all recommendations in relation to the licensing of the facilities and, with the administrative staff of the Homes for Special Care, works towards upgrading and maintaining the standards of resident care. This employee also classifies and assesses applicants seeking placement in Homes for Special Care from the hospitals in the Cape Breton Region.

Family Court, Sydney

The Family Court is located in the Provincial Building in Sydney and provides services to the geographical area of the Municipality of the County of Cape Breton, the Municipality of the County of Victoria and part of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. This past year much-welcomed additional space was acquired in the Provincial Building, and the services of the Court are operated out of two locations in this building. A courtroom for Judge Wilson was added.

The Family Court combines two disciplines, judicial and social.

Three Judges hear actions under the Family Maintenance Act, Young Offenders Act, Children's Services Act and particular sections of the Divorce Act and the Criminal Code of Canada.

Four Youth Court workers provide probation and counselling services to young people who come into conflict with the law. One social worker provides intake, assessment and short-term counselling to families and individuals.

Two enforcement officers are responsible for the collection of the 2,001 maintenance payments orders made by a Judge. Collections for fiscal 1988/89 totalled $2,989,871.

All staff, including clerical and accounting personnel and court reporters, contributed to the goal of providing quality service to the public.

Children's Aid Society of Cape Breton

F.A. "Sandy" Bowes, Executive Director
Hildegarde O'Neill, Supervisor
Sandra MacNeil, Supervisor
Ian MacPherson, Supervisor

Protection Services

Protection services continued to occupy a major portion of the staff time in all offices with a total of 1,206 cases being carried throughout the year. This represents a 6% increase over the previous year and continues the trend of a steadily rising caseload. In the past year the agency has sought to deal with the problems of teenagers in conflict with their family by designating one protection worker in each office to deal exclusively with adolescent cases.

Placement Services

Children requiring placement are served through one of a number of programs offered by the agency. Most are placed in one of almost 100 approved foster homes throughout the coverage area. In addition, the agency operates two Group Homes with a total capacity of 11 children, and the Boys Residential Centre in New Waterford. These facilities generally operate at near maximum capacity. The agency also provides a full-time social worker at the Bairncroft home, a facility established for children in conflict with their parents.

Adoption Services

The society continues to receive a steady stream of referrals seeking information on adoption. As in past years, the number of children available for adoption continues to fall well behind the demand, and this is expected to continue in the future as the waiting period extends to five years or longer. A large volume of calls requesting information about private and third-party adoptions, international adoptions, and information about biological parents or children were received.

Single Parent Program

The Single Parent Program has continued to operate during the past year with the public becoming more aware of this service.

Outreach Program

The past year has seen the implementation of an outreach program in Victoria County with the hiring of one full-time social worker. A large number of referrals were made to this program covering both child welfare and general family and individual concerns. Along with providing "front-line" social work, this program seeks to be a referral service and a research project into the types and levels of services needed in Victoria County.

Public Education/Prevention Program

For the first time in the agency's history, a half-time staff position has been allocated to the development of public education and prevention services. In the six months since this program was started, more than 25 public presentations have been given to various community groups. In addition the agency has expanded its outreach through the media, and more programs for specific client groups are in the planning stage for the future.

Port Hawkesbury District Office

Gordon MacMaster, District Supervisor

Serving the town in this the year of its Centennial Celebration, the Port Hawkesbury District Office also serves the needs of Inverness and Richmond counties, which have a combined population of 36,000. The office is located in the Provincial Building on MacSween Street, Port Hawkesbury.

Family Benefits

Overseen by two full-time caseworkers, the Family Benefits Program encompasses an average caseload of approximately 1,050 cases. While providing financial assistance to disabled persons, single parents (both male and female) and foster parents, the program is also involved in Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs and makes referrals to outside agencies where necessary.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program, through a contract between the Department of Community Services and the Town of Port Hawkesbury, employs a full-time worker who maintains a caseload of approximately 115 clients each month. An additional staff of three provides Homemakers Services in the town. Municipal Social Services offices are also maintained in Port Hood and St. Peters, by Inverness and Richmond counties, respectively.

The Municipal Social Services Program offers financial assistance in the General Assistance Program and in Homes for Special Care. In the past fiscal year the program provided in excess of one half a million dollars in General Assistance and to maintain persons in Homes for Special Care.

Family Court, Port Hawkesbury

The Family Court, serving the Town of Port Hawkesbury and Inverness and Richmond counties, hears all actions under the Family Maintenance Act, Children's Services Act and Young Offenders Act. Monthly collections average approximately $40,000, and collections for fiscal 1988/89 totalled $445,000.

While maintaining an active caseload of 340 maintenance orders monthly, the Family Court worker also acts as a Youth Court worker and has an average caseload of approximately 12-15 young offenders.

Family Court is held every alternate Tuesday in Port Hawkesbury and Arichat, and every alternative Thursday in Port Hood. The office this year has added a Family Court reporter for the Inverness and Richmond county areas, and an assistant enforcement officer.

Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond

Gordon MacMaster, Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond was incorporated in 1981. The society is responsible for the legislated programs contained in the Children's Services Act for the protection, adoption, and care and custody of children. The society maintains 17 foster homes throughout the two counties.

About 300 referrals were made to the agency in fiscal 1988/89—a 10% increase over the previous year.

The programs offered by the agency are both preventive and protective. The protection workers of the Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond respond to and investigate referrals regarding allegations of physical abuse, sexual abuse, and neglect. The society also acts as a support or referral system, and workers may become involved with individuals and families in family care. The preventive programs are working extremely well in combatting the problem of child abuse and neglect.

The "Good Touches, Bad Touches" program, initially introduced to elementary school students from grade primary to grade six, has continued with the objective of teaching children how to recognize and resist sexual abuse. This year the program was directed at grades four to six, while children in grades primary to three were introduced to a new program presented with the use of the C.A.R.E. Kit. This program utilizes illustrated message cards, discussion cards, puppets, posters, etc. The program is broken down into three parts. In the first section, the children learn that each person owns and is responsible for his or her own body and feelings. Part two introduces the subject of sexual abuse through a discussion of touching, and part 3 deals with self-protection and reporting. Children are given the opportunity to practice assertive behaviour and to identify adults whom they can go to for help.

New to the Children's Aid Society this year was a tutorial program instituted for children in families who are receiving protection services. These children were all experiencing special problems which were reflected in their academic performances. Most suffered from low self-esteem and poor motivation which resulted in a lack of initiative to improve or lack of confidence to try new things. The objective of this program was to provide these children with special attention and support that would result not only in academic improvement but also in an improvement in their feelings of self-worth. This year 19 children from the Inverness-Richmond areas participated in the program.

In furthering the Children's Aid Society's emphasis on education and support of adolescents, a worker from the agency travels to six schools throughout the two counties to provide junior and senior high students with an individual with whom they may openly discuss their problems and concerns.

The "Home Based Nurturing Program" is a validated approach for teaching parents and their children new nurturing ways of interacting. The goal of the program is to provide instruction to parents and their children from birth to five years of age to lessen the risk of maltreatment. Activities are carried out by a family care worker, with all family members participating in the setting of their own home. The program can be used with any family that needs or desires healthier ways of living and interacting.

In the last year a teaching homemaker has been added to the agency staff, providing aid to clients in areas such as meal planning, budgeting and housekeeping skills. The worker also assists in the acquisition of better housing and acts as a trustee to some Family Benefits clients.

The Children's Aid Society of Inverness-Richmond has recently installed a networked computer system, one of the first of its kind in the province.

North Shore Regional Office

Cyril Reddy, Regional Administrator
Douglas Burgess, Casework Supervisor

The North Shore Region comprises all of Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough counties and has a total population of 85,000. The regional office, located in the Town of New Glasgow, is the focal point of services delivered within the region. Under the direction of the Regional Administrator, it is administered on a joint-service basis with the Children's Aid Society of Pictou County. A combined staff of 39 is located in the regional office.

Family Benefits Program

In 1988-89 the average monthly caseload served through the Family Benefits Program was 1,559 with a total yearly expenditure of $8,812,197. This expenditure is a 10.4% increase over the previous year's expenditure. Three social service workers under the direct supervision of the casework supervisor, and with the assistance of summer employees, are responsible for the effective delivery of this active and high-profile program. The clerical staff of our office also provide a great deal of assistance to senior citizens who apply for various financial aid programs.

All applications for day care subsidy in Pictou County are also processed by a member of our Family Benefits staff.

Family Benefits Program (Decentralized)

Ervin Currie, Supervisor

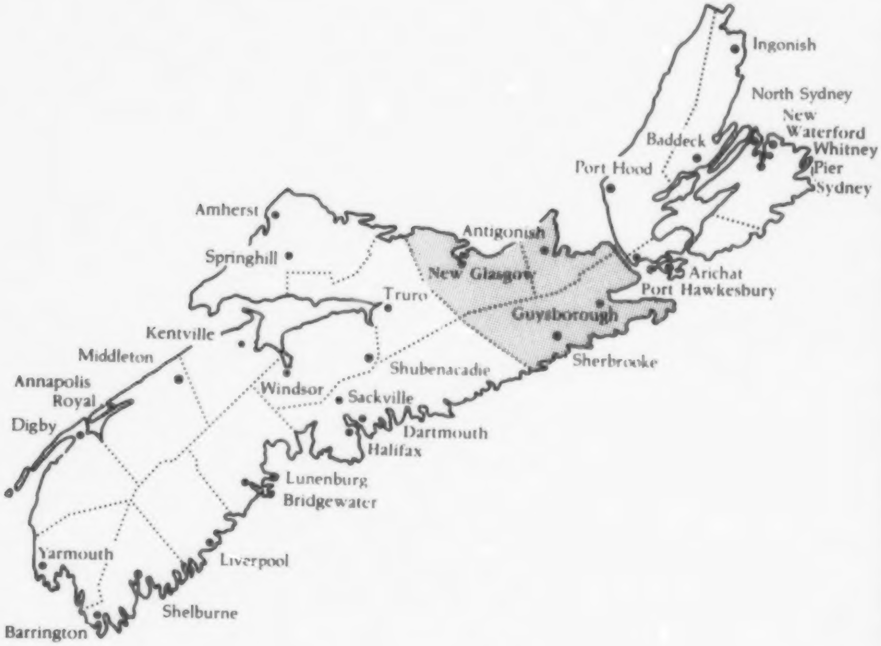
The Family Benefits Program was decentralized to the North Shore Regional Office in December 1988 for the North Shore and Central regions.

A five-member staff unit is responsible, under the immediate direction of their supervisor, for all decisions relating to eligibility and continuing eligibility to almost 5,000 recipients of Family Benefits in Colchester, Cumberland, Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough counties.

This most-successful decentralization effort has improved the quality of service to recipients of payments through this program.

Regional Offices

North Shore Region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Antigonish District Office — Antigonish
Guysborough District Office — Guysborough
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Antigonish (circuit)
Guysborough (circuit)
Sherbrooke (circuit)

Municipal Social Services

The Municipal Social Services Program is administered by the Department of Community Services on a contractual basis with four municipal units—the towns of Stellarton, Westville, Trenton and Pictou. The field staff are employees of the Department of Community Services, but the responsibility for policy rests with each individual municipal unit.

The Municipal Social Services Program for the Town of New Glasgow is provided through a contractual arrangement with the Children's Aid Society of Pictou County.

The program is delivered for the Municipality of the County of Pictou by four employees, including the director.

Rehabilitation Services

This program provides services to individuals over the age of 16 who, because of physical or mental handicaps, require skills or occupational training to enable them to become self-sufficient.

The rehabilitation program also provides counselling to single mothers to assist them in becoming self-sufficient through training, upgrading and the provision of employment. Two field workers are attached to the program. One worker, whose efforts are concentrated on the disabled, provides this service in the counties of Pictou, Antigonish and Guysborough. The worker responsible for single parents provides this service to all five counties in the North Shore and Central regions.

Six SARS projects were established in fiscal 1988/89 and involved a total of 52 individuals. Four of these projects were completed by March 31, 1989, with 60% of the participants successfully obtaining full-time employment.

Adult Protection Services

Services provided under the Adult Protection Act are delivered within Pictou County through five designated employees of the Department of Community Services. We have experienced an increase in referrals relating to this program as the public becomes more aware of the Department's role in insuring the protection of our senior citizens and handicapped and disabled persons.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The Coordinated Home Care Program was fully implemented within the North Shore Region by March 31, 1989.

Pictou was the first county to experience the initial stages of implementation, beginning on October 19, 1988, with the programs in the towns of Canso and Mulgrave, and the Municipality of Guysborough commencing on February 20, 1989. The Town of Antigonish and the District of St. Mary's began to formally streamline their services on March 20, 1989. The level of cooperation between the departments of Community Services and Health and Fitness and the local homemaker agencies was instrumental in insuring the effective implementation of this new program.

Homes for Special Care

Nine Homes for Special Care, with a total licensed capacity of 618 beds, are located within Pictou County. The larger facilities are Glen Haven Manor in New Glasgow, Valley View Villa in Riverton, and Edward Mortimer Place and the I.O.O.F. Home, both in Pictou. The sole adult residential care facility is located in Riverton, and the two residential care facilities are Sunset Haven in New Glasgow and Shady Oaks Rest Home in Union Centre. Two Group Homes are under the management of Highland Residential Community Services in Pictou County: one on Temperance Street, New Glasgow, and the other on Foord Street, Stellarton.

A total of 434 residents in these Homes for Special Care were subsidized with public funding as of March 31, 1989.

The field assessment officer for Homes for Special Care is located in the North Shore Regional Office and is responsible for all aspects of licensing and for the classification of residents from hospitals to Homes for Special Care in both the North Shore and Central regions.

Family Court, New Glasgow

James F. Hahnen, Casework Supervisor

An additional Judge was appointed to the Family Court of Nova Scotia and is located at the Family Court Complex, Bridgeview Square, New Glasgow.

Enforcement Services relating to Antigonish and Guysborough counties were decentralized to the Antigonish District Office in June 1988 to provide for a more effective and efficient service to the citizens of those two counties.

The Family Court, which hears all actions brought before it under the Family Maintenance Act, the Young Offenders Act, the Children's Services Act and the Infants' Custody Act, had substantial growth in 1988-89. A total of 1,197 active cases were registered in the Court during the past fiscal year. This caseload resulted in $1,693,202.80 being collected within Pictou County through Enforcement Services.

Children's Aid Society of Pictou County

Cyril Reddy, Executive Director
Judy Zinck, Casework Supervisor

The Children's Aid Society of Pictou County celebrated its seventy-fifth year of continuous service in 1988. The society's first meeting was held in September 1913 in the Town of New Glasgow.

The Children's Aid Society of Pictou County, in its seventy-fifth year of operation, again experienced a substantial increase in workload. The society, through its staff and board of directors, is enlarging and reinforcing its traditional programs and developing new services to meet the needs of present-day society.

Our resources were utilized to their capacity as we carried out our legislated mandate under the Children's Services Act in an effective and compassionate manner. The following services are provided through our agency:

- Protection Services
- services to children in care
- Municipal Social Services (Town of New Glasgow)
- Adoption Services
- single-parent program
- foster home program, and
- teaching homemakers.

Protection Services

The seven field staff attached to the protection program responded to 243 referrals relating to suspected child abuse or neglect, a 17% increase over the previous year. An additional 103 requests were made for the society's services, including home studies, adoption inquiries, custody reports, self-referrals, and reports required by the Family Benefits Program. Thirty-seven children were taken into the care of the agency, and 14 children received necssary services through the voluntary care program until they could be returned to their homes.

Services to Children in Care

The agency had 79 children in its care and custody as of March 31, 1989. More than 70% of our children are over 12 years of age, which clearly dictates the need for increased services to our adolescents.

The number of adolescents who referred themselves to our agency and requested placement outside their natural homes increased to 53 last year.

The society is actively involved in plans for improved services to the adolescents in our care and is working towards the development of a regional adolescent assessment centre in consultation with the departments of Community Services and Health and Fitness.

Municipal Social Services (Town of New Glasgow)

The society, on the basis of a contractual agreement with the Town of New Glasgow, is responsible for the delivery of the town's Municipal Social Services Program. The staff attached to this program provided financial assistance to an average caseload of 226 persons per month at a cost of $750,856. The 104 residents of the Town of New Glasgow who reside in Homes for Special Care were maintained at an annual cost of $1,067,093. The staff assigned to this program provide quality service and are most cooperative with our child welfare staff in resolving problems that relate to mutual clients.

Adoption Services

Our adoption program also experienced an extremely busy year, with 13 children being placed for adoption. The agency was also involved with 46 private adoptions and received nine inquiries related to agency adoptions.

Single Parent Program

Many single parents initially consider placing their children for adoption. However, with increased support services, more are choosing to keep their babies after the children are born, which is very much in accordance with present-day trends. The agency ensures that single parents are aware of all options available to them and assists them with their plans for their children.

Foster Home Program

The foster home program remains our number one placement resource. Sixty percent of our foster homes are located in the rural areas, and 40% are within the five towns in Pictou County. Many long-term and new foster parents have committed themselves to ensuring that children in need are provided with quality homes. The manner in which our foster parents have responded in emergency and difficult situations is appreciated by all concerned.

Recruitment of new foster parents and increasing the skills of our present foster parents is an ongoing process. Training sessions to help foster parents deal effectively with the many problems presented to them are conducted regularly by the agency's staff.

Teaching Homemakers Program

The teaching homemakers program continues to be a very important component of our service delivery system. The homemakers provide the necessary support services to our field staff in dealing with problems relating to parenting, nutrition, budgeting and related family problems.

Antigonish District Office

L.A. Mills, District Supervisor

The Antigonish District Office of the Department of Community Services is located on James Street, Antigonish, and provides departmental services to residents in Antigonish County and the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's. The geographical area served by the office is located in the eastern part of northern Nova Scotia and has a population of 23,000.

Family Benefits

The Family Benefits caseload in the area served by the office as of March 31, 1989, was 453. This service is available to disabled people, disabled people with dependent children, people with dependent children, and foster parents.

The Family Benefits worker is also responsible for interpreting emergency or long-term housing projects to clients, and works closely with Community Services program personnel.

Municipal Social Assistance

The municipal social assistance program is delivered on a contractual basis for the three municipal units (the Town of Antigonish, Antigonish County, and the Municipality of the District of St. Mary's) by employees of the Department of Community Services.

Two social service workers and a teaching homemaker under the direction of the casework supervisor deliver a quality service.

In-Home Support Program

Most senior citizens and disabled persons would rather remain in their own homes than enter Homes for Special Care. To facilitate this wish, a program has been developed to provide those persons who qualify with financial assistance. The assistance is granted where it can be demonstrated to be necessary to enable the recipient to remain in his or her own home and modestly enhance his or her lifestyle.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The Coordinated Home Care Program was formally implemented within the jurisdiction of the Antigonish District Office on March 20, 1989. This approach insures the efficient and effective delivery of this service involving the departments of Community Services and Health and Fitness and the established homemaker agencies.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided to residents of the Antigonish District Office area through the North Shore Regional Office in New Glasgow.

Day Care

A designated employee in the Antigonish District Office provides licensing services for day care centres, and all applications for subsidized day care are handled by personnel at the district office.

Homes for Special Care

Two Homes for Special Care are located in the Town of Antigonish, and one is located in the Village of Sherbrooke. The total capacity of these three homes is 185 guests, many of whom are financially supported through the Municipal Social Services Program.

Family Court, Antigonish

The enforcement services attached to the Family Court for Antigonish and Guysborough counties were decentralized to the Antigonish District Office in June 1988. Exactly $429,880.63 was collected through the enforcement services from June 1988 to March 31, 1989. This improved level of service is now more accessible for those attending the Family Court.

Youth Court and community services are provided by one Youth Court worker, who serves both Antigonish and Guysborough counties. Service is provided to children under 16 years of age who have been charged and found guilty of an offence.

Guysborough District Office

Harold M. Roberts, District Supervisor

The Guysborough District Office of the Department of Community Services provides services to the Municipality of the District of Guysborough, the Town of Mulgrave and Town of Canso and is located in the Chedabucto Centre, just outside the Village of Guysborough. The Guysborough District Office was established in fall 1977.

Family and Children's Services

Two caseworkers provide child welfare services to families and children, including:

- child protection services
- family support and related counselling services
- counselling to unmarried mothers and single parents
- adoption services, including placement of children for adoption
- recruitment and assessment of foster homes
- supervision for children committed to the care and custody of the Minister
- provisions for the temporary removal of children (voluntary care)
- preparation of custody reports as requested by the Family Court
- completion of day care subsidy applications
- licensing of day care facilities in the area and assessing all existing day care centres each year
- planning and preparation for dispersion of the Christmas Daddies Fund
- arrangements of some summer camping programs at Camp Canso, Glasgow Head, Guysborough County, and
- carrying out prescribed adult protection services as outlined under the provisions of the Adult Protection Act.

A family skills worker provides assistance to protection families and teaches in the areas of budgeting, nutrition, child care and household management. This service began in February 1989.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides services to Family Benefits recipients in the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and the towns of Canso and Mulgrave. The service provides financial assistance, usually of a prolonged nature, to disabled individuals; disabled fathers and/or disabled mothers with dependent children; unmarried mothers and fathers with dependent children; deserted mothers or fathers with dependent children; foster parents; and aged people.

The worker in this program handles all home improvement requests from recipients in the program. Assistance is also provided to applicants under the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs.

Municipal Social Services Program

Municipal Social Services has one worker on a contractual basis with three municipal units in the county. The worker administers short-term financial assistance to individuals determined to be in need in the

Municipality of the District of Guysborough and the towns of Canso and Mulgrave. The service provides for people seeking placement in a community residence program or admission to a Home for Special Care. The Municipality of the District of Guysborough has a new 50-bed Home for Special Care, Milford Haven, situated in the Village of Guysborough, which has replaced the Hazel Hill Home for the Aged. This new facility began operation on October 1, 1988, with the official opening taking place on December 2, 1988.

The Town of Canso has constructed a new 15-bed Home for Special Care, Seaside Manor, which was slated to open in late June 1989.

The In-Home Support Program offers financial assistance to seniors and disabled individuals wishing to remain in their home with support from a relative, as an alternative to placement in a Home for Special Care.

Coordinated Home Care Program

Homemakers provide support and assistance to elderly and disabled citizens. A working supervisor/coordinator and seven homemakers, one part-time homemaker and one home care assessor work out of the Old Guysborough Memorial Hospital Building to provide service to the Municipality of the District of Guysborough. The service continues to teach parenting skills, budgeting, nutritional needs and household management to families who need assistance. The caseload is primarily geared to the needs of seniors and the disabled.

The Town of Mulgrave has two homemakers serving the town. The Town of Canso, effective October 12, 1988, began its homemaker program with a working supervisor, one homemaker and a home handy person. The Coordinated Home Program was introduced to Guysborough County and the towns of Mulgrave and Canso on February 20, 1989. Access to the program will be through a single entry point in each community homemaker agency. Coordinated Home Care will utilize a multidisciplinary assessment procedure that involves bringing together community services to decide what help a person will need. Joint assessments will be coordinated by a community health nurse assessor and a homemaker agency social assessor. The service has been most effective in improving the quality of life in Guysborough County.

Family Court, Guysborough

Family Court is held in Guysborough every second Thursday by a circuit judge from New Glasgow. The Family Court hears all actions under the Family Maintenance Act, Children's Services Act, Young Offenders Act and certain sections of the Criminal Code of Canada. The Family Court officer is involved in the enforcement of many statutes over which the Family Court has jurisdiction. The enforcement program was established in the office in November 1982.

Central Regional Office

Harvey J. MacArthur, M.S.W., Regional Administrator

The Central Region of the Department of Community Services encompasses the counties of Colchester and Cumberland, which together have a population of 78,455.

The Central Regional Office, located at 58 Willow Street in Truro, is under the direction of the Regional Administrator, who is responsible for the overall delivery of services throughout the region. The staff of 48 provides, through a joint agreement between the Department of Community Services and the Children's Aid Society of Colchester, the various community services to the 44,000 residents of Colchester County.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program became decentralized on December 14, 1988, which means that all data entry, the initial eligibility process, and decision-making regarding eligibility for benefits is now done by Family Benefits personnel in the North Shore Regional Office in New Glasgow. Decentralization has reduced the processing time of data significantly, providing a better service for our clients. In October 1988 a third Family Benefits field worker joined the staff. This worker will spend up to seven days a month in Cumberland County where she will also carry a Family Benefits caseload, all in addition to her Colchester caseload.

Rehabilitation

A vocational planning for the disabled program offers vocational assessment and counselling services to disabled Nova Scotians. The program is available to any Nova Scotian who is 16 years old or older, not currently in the school system, vocationally handicapped because of a physical or mental disability, and needing training or retraining to become gainfully employed.

The Career Planning with Single Parents Program continues to be well received by single parents who are on provincial Family Benefits. During the past year the single-parent worker, who covers five counties, has worked with 43 single parents in Colchester County.

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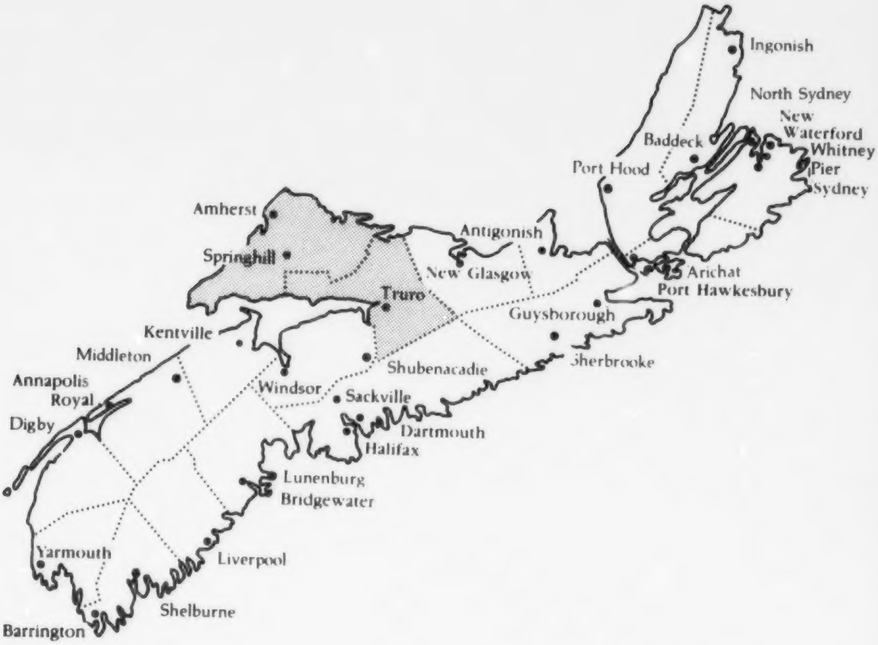
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Adult Protection Services

The Central Regional Office has four adult protection designates who conduct the intake, assessment and investigation of all referrals to Adult Protection Services in Colchester County. During the 1988/89 fiscal year, 71 referrals were made from Colchester County, a significant increase from the previous year.

Social Assistance Recipient (SARS) Program

In September 1988 a second SARS program, Phase 2, began in the towns of Truro and Stewiacke, involving 20 participants in a multi-occupational program. The program operated from September 1988 to March 1989. The emphasis was on increasing employability through basic upgrading, skills training, employment counselling, on-the-job training, life skills training, job search training and individual counselling. Of the 20 participants involved, three left the program before completion, 10 gained full-time employment and the remaining seven were actively job searching. The program puts emphasis on client self-development as well as on specific skills training.

Colchester Community Workshop

The Colchester Community Workshop is presently serving 48 clients from the Colchester County area. Programs offered include the manufacturing of promotional buttons, award ribbons and woodworking products. It is also in the process of starting to do furniture refinishing. The workshop has taken advantage of local SARS programs and has permanently employed one of the SARS participants. Future plans include being more involved in supportive employment by working in cooperation with the Department of Community Services.

Coordinated Home Care Program

During the past year, the Coordinated Home Care Program was implemented in Colchester and Cumberland counties. In Colchester County, the homemaker agency sponsored by the Children's Aid Society is the central entry point for home care (toll-free: 893-0500). Since implementation in September 1988, the program has provided homemaker and nursing services to many seniors, disabled and families at risk, and has made many referrals to the Department of

Housing's seniors' program and to volunteer programs such as Meals on Wheels and Friendly Visiting.

In Cumberland County, the homemaker agency sponsored by the Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County is the central entry point for home care (toll-free: 667-0870). The program in Cumberland County was implemented in March 1989 and provides similar services to the same target population. Both agencies have substantially increased their homemaker staffs.

In June 1988, Mary Jo McFadden was named the regional coordinator for the Coordinated Home Care Program. She is headquartered at the Central Regional Office in Truro.

Family Court, Truro and Shubenacadie

The Family Court has had yet another busy year. A total of 293 new files were opened this past year, an increase of 41 over 1987. Active orders totalled 648 and total collections for the year were $849,994, an increase of $123,764 from last year. The collection rate for March 1989 was 84%.

The Central Regional office continues to administer the Shubenacadie Court, and Court is scheduled there on alternate Wednesdays. Court is held in Truro on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays, and at other times as needed.

The resident Judge is Judge Corinne E. Sparks, who presides at court hearings in Truro and Shubenacadie. Judge David Milner no longer comes to Truro and now sits only in the Amherst area.

Construction is presently under way for new Family Court facilities in Shubenacaide. Final confirmation on relocation of the Family Court from Truro is still pending.

The Alternative Measures Program, under the Young Offenders Act, had a successful year. The program had 74 referrals of first-time offenders (up from 61 last year) and had 25 referrals for community service orders.

Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County

Harvey J. MacArthur, M.S.W., Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County is located at 58 Willow Street, Truro, in a beautiful and large older building. This is a special year for our agency because, as of November 1988, we have entered our seventy-fifth year of service to the community. The society is fortunate to have a very active and supportive board of directors from the Colchester area, insuring extensive community representation.

The agency is responsible to the Minister of Community Services for the provision of the following services:

- Protection Services
- supervision of children committed to the legal care of the society by the Court, and children placed in care
- licensing and supervision of foster homes
- adoption services
- services to unwed parents
- custody reports
- Municipal Social Services to the towns of Truro and Stewiacke, including approval and financial assistance for admission to Homes for Special Care
- Homemakers Services, and
- family counselling services.

Within the protection program, another service has been added under a family skills worker. This position came into effect in November 1988 and Shirley Atkinson became our first full-time family skills worker. The role of this individual is to work directly with protection families in their homes, teaching and providing guidance in the areas of parental skills, homemaking skills, life skills, budgeting and nutritional skills. The family skills worker usually becomes involved with families before the family is in a crisis situation. Therefore this position plays a very important preventive role and will greatly enhance our child welfare services.

The number of our children in our care continues to decrease and is now at 29. In contrast, our protection staff investigated 373 protection referrals, 30 more than last year. Of the 373 cases investigated, only nine cases involved the apprehension of children.

Recently a subcommittee of the Protocol Committee planned a one-day seminar dealing with sexual abuse of children. The subcommittee consisted of representatives from the Truro Police Department, the RCMP and Children's Aid Society staff. The seminar was conducted by Lillian Ulsch. Ms. Ulsch is an officer from the Police Department in Fredericton, New Brunswick, and is also a trained social worker who has been instrumental in developing a well organized approach to the investigation of child sexual abuse cases. The day was very educational and provided an opportunity for police officers and social workers to become better acquainted.

Our annual in-service day was held in February and our board of directors again assumed the responsibility of manning the phones while the staff was away. The staff really appreciates this day and finds it most worthwhile. They also feel that they must have a special board of directors if it is willing to take on such a responsibility.

This year marked an anniversary for two of our staff: Barbara Dill, our accountant, and Emily Lane, our senior municipal assistance worker, were both honoured for 25 years of service. Another staff member, Donna Douglas, our adoption and foster home worker, reached 20 years of service in November 1988.

Municipal Social Services

The Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County through a contract with the Town of Truro is responsible for the administration of financial assistance and the services related to the municipal social assistance program to citizens residing within the boundaries of the Town of Truro.

The provincial Social Assistance Act (Part 11) authorizes the municipal level of government to provide financial assistance on a cost-shared basis to people in need for a short time or those who require supplementation to an income that is insufficient to meet their needs.

Municipal social assistance is calculated on a budget deficit system, that is, payments are calculated by totalling the costs of basic items such as food, clothing, shelter, fuel, utilities, household supplies and personal requirements, and deducting from that total any financial resources the applicant might have. Items of special need may also be included (drugs for example). The municipal assistance program may, in addition, grant emergency assistance to cover urgent and immediate needs.

The Act provides for the payment of maintenance costs on behalf of residents in Homes for Special Care.

The municipal social assistance program for the Town of Truro is delivered by a staff of three Municipal Social Services workers and one full-time clerical staff member.

Coordinated Home Care Program

In September 1988 the homemaker agency of the Children's Aid Society and Family Services of Colchester County was designated the entry point in Colchester County for the provincial Coordinated Home Care Program. This agency was the first in the province to be able to deliver Homemakers Services as a part of the Coordinated Home Care Program.

Through this program, it is possible for referrals concerning the elderly, the disabled, or young families at risk to receive nursing and/or homemaker services, and to be referred to housing, meals on wheels, or many of the volunteer services in our area. The homemaker agency follows up referrals, usually with a joint home assessment done by a social and a health assessor. Goals are then set for the client, and a plan for service is put in place.

The Coordinated Home Care Program for Colchester County presently employs: one full-time coordinator (and back-up social assessor), one part-time social assessor, one full-time intake worker/bookkeeper, ten full-time homemakers, and two part-time homemakers.

Through the cooperation of the Department of Health and Fitness, community health nurses make up the health assessment part of the team.

Job Orientation and Motivation

Job Orientation of Motivation is an Outreach Project federally funded by Canada Employment and Immigration and employs two workers. The project is co-sponsored by Children's Aid and Family Services of Colchester and Parents Without Partners of the Truro area.

The objectives of the project are to decrease the number of single-parent women relying on assistance and to improve the job capabilities of those who are employed below their potential.

Over the past year we have had over one hundred referrals from various agencies in the Truro and surrounding areas. We work with clients in individual as well as group counselling sessions, providing clients with the support and encouragement they need to overcome barriers facing them, such as low self-esteem, lack of available child care, low educational levels and lack of adequate job skills. We provide G.E.D. tutoring and many clients have gone from a grade 7 to a grade 12 equivalency. For most this is a great stepping stone and just the break they need to give them the motivation to go on to future challenges.

During the past year, five women completed their general equivalency tests and received their grade 11 and 12; five women are enrolled in a re-entry program for women; eight clients were enrolled in the Social Assistance Recipients (SARS) Program; and 40 women secured full-time employment. We feel our program has helped many women during the eight years it has been in force, and we are pleased and proud of the accomplishments and positive changes many or our clients have experienced in their lives.

Cumberland District Office

Don Russell, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Cumberland District Office provides service throughout all parts of Cumberland County. The District Office is located at 24 Crescent Avenue in Amherst at the Family Service Centre Building. It is operated on a joint-service basis with Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County. A combined staff of 46 provide the services outlined below.

Family Benefits Program

Under this program, long-term assistance is provided to disabled individuals, to persons with dependent children, or to foster parents. Assistance is also provided to applicants under the Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs, involving property tax rebates, rental assistance, and Seniors' Special Social Assistance.

Family Benefits in Cumberland County now operates on a decentralized basis out of New Glasgow and is linked by a computerized information system.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation counselling and assessment services are provided to people over the age of 16 who, due to physical, psychological or social handicaps, need assistance to improve their occupational skills with the goal of eventual employment and self-sufficiency. Rehabilitation counselling services are also offered to single parents.

Community Services Program

Operated as a district sub-office in the Municipal Provincial Building in the Town of Springhill, Community Services provides service to individuals throughout the county who have special housing needs.

Day Care Services

Family Benefits staff members process all applications for day care subsidization, supervise licensing procedures for new day care centres, and conduct a yearly assessment of all day care centres.

Adult Protection Services

An investigation is conducted upon receipt of a complaint that an adult is a victim of abuse or is incapable of protecting himself, as outlined in the provincial Adult Protection Act. Existing community services are used to provide assistance where necessary. Five designates are authorized by the Minister to carry out this service of the Adult Protection Act in Cumberland County.

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program provides short-term financial assistance to people in need. Assistance is also given to individuals requiring placement in a Home for Special Care, including Nursing Homes and homes for the disabled.

Municipal Social Services for the Town of Amherst, the County of Cumberland and the Town of Parrsboro are provided from the Family Service Centre. The towns of Springhill and Oxford provide this service from their respective town offices.

Family Court, Amherst

The province operates a Family Court for the County of Cumberland from the Family Service Centre, 24 Crescent Avenue, Amherst.

The Court has a staff of seven in addition to the Judge, who hears cases on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of each week. The Court has jurisdiction in family matters, including maintenance, child protection and custody. It also acts as a Youth Court for children of ages 12–15 years who are charged with offences under the Young Offenders Act (Canada) or provincial statutes.

Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County

Don Russell, M.S.W., Executive Director

This agency, located at 24 Crescent Avenue in Amherst, provides child welfare services and services to families throughout Cumberland County. This community-based, private, non-profit agency provides the following services:

- child protection services
- services to single parents
- placements of children for adoption
- foster home care for children committed to the care of the agency and those admitted to care on a voluntary basis
- family counselling and individual counselling
- family-skills counselling for those who require teaching homemaker services, and
- residential care for six teenage boys or girls in a Group Home.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The Department of Community Services sponsors a Coordinated Home Care Program for seniors living in their own residences. This program involves Homemakers Services provided by Family and Children's Services of Cumberland County, home nursing by the provincial Department of Health and Fitness and housing assistance through the provincial Department of Housing.

Access to any service under the Coordinated Home Care Program is through the homemaker agency at 24 Crescent Avenue, Amherst.

Halifax Regional Office

Joan M. MacKinnon, M.S.W., Regional Administrator

The Halifax Regional Office is located at the Metro One Building, 6061 Young Street, Halifax. From this office the Regional Administrator directs service delivery of all the Department's field services for the region including specific direct committee tasks, e.g., the Regional Rate-Setting Committee, Halifax Region. This committee, of which the Regional Administrator is chairman, sets the per diem rates in 36 Homes for Special Care in the region. The Regional Administrator also acts as co-chairman of the Liaison Committee with CEIC on the SARS (Agreement to Enhance the Employability of Social Assistance Recipients) initiative.

Programs and services which operate from the Halifax Regional Office include Family Benefits, Day Care Services, Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Single Parents, the In-Home Support Program and specialized foster home placement for mentally handicapped children, and Adult Protection.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program is offered to the cities of Halifax and Dartmouth and to the Municipality of the County of Halifax. Social service workers process new applications and determine ongoing eligibility yearly for the nearly 6,000 individuals and families who receive Family Benefits.

The program is entirely decentralized now, which means that data entry, the initial eligibility process and decision-making regarding eligibility for benefits is managed at the field level.

Day Care Services

Two staff members assess parent financial eligibility for subsidized day care.

Rehabilitation Services

The Vocational Rehabilitation Program for Single Parents has three field staff working from the regional office. They concentrate on locating training opportunities for single parents and interviewing clients

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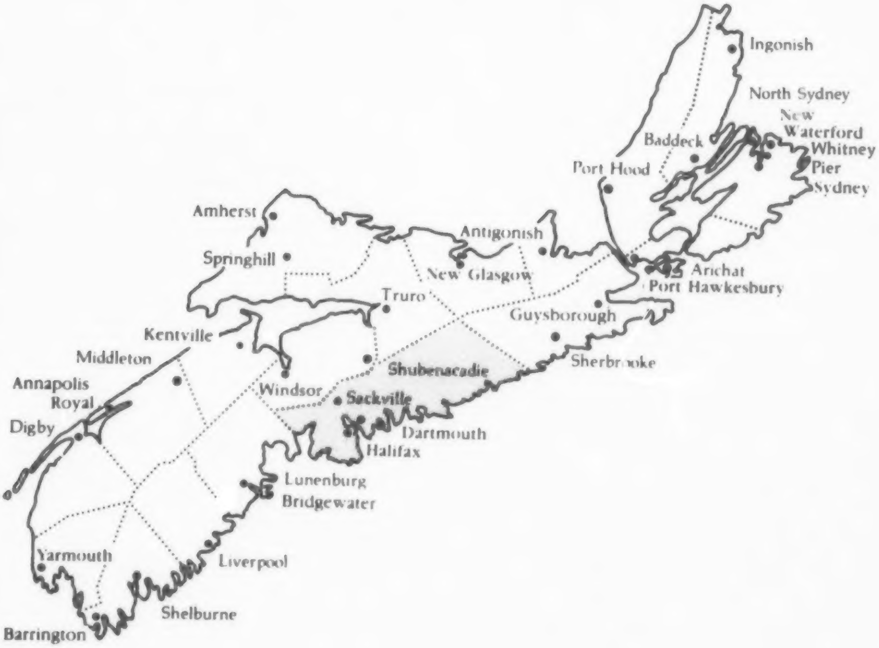
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concerning their options and suitability for training, and set in place the necessary financial supports for clients who are ready to participate in training. The three serve on the local liaison committee with CEIC, which helps select suitable projects for social assistance receipients. This is a program with great potential, and it is growing with enthusiasm. Each of the three rehabilitation counsellors has a contact with one of the three municipalities in the metro area, and each contacts those individuals for referrals to the SARS projects. This ensures that both Family Benefits clients and clients on municipal social assistance receive opportunities for training and future employment.

In-Home Support and Foster Care for Handicapped Children

Over the years there has been less demand for foster care for handicapped children. Most parents prefer to keep their children at home with in-home support. Over the last year over 70 families have been helped financially with personal care needs, special needs, respite, and prosthetic devices.

Adult Protection

The Adult Protection Act was proclaimed in 1986. Since then the program has grown. It is not uncommon to have about 25 referrals monthly. Most relate to seniors who are living alone and neglecting their care. Many respond to services offered and, where necessary, placement arrangements are made into Nursing Home facilities.

Family Court, Halifax and Dartmouth

Calvin Bungay, Supervisor

The Halifax and the Dartmouth Family Courts have three sections: the Judiciary Section, the Counselling Section and the Enforcement Section.

Judicial Section

Six judges hear adult and youth matters at the Halifax and Dartmouth Family Court locations. A senior court reporter who works with the judges developed a court reporter's procedural manual which has the potential to become a guide for court reporters throughout the province.

Counselling Section

Social service workers, acting as youth workers and after-care officers, provide supervision and counselling services to children who come into conflict with the law. Community Diversion projects and Community Service projects as restitution are popular alternatives in the rehabilitation of young offenders. Assistance is also rendered to families of the children when appropriate. One staff person in each Court provides intake, assessment and referral services to all clients who come to the Court.

Enforcement Section

This section is an integral part of the Family Court operation and is responsible for all payments made to the Court with respect to court orders and fines; it forwards payments to recipients and maintains the overall accounting system. Last year, automation, together with a computer, was introduced into the Dartmouth Court for accounting purposes.

Children's Aid Society of Halifax

Marilyn R. Peers, R.S.W., Executive Director
Gail MacDougall, R.S.W., Coordinator of Program Services
Roger Godin, R.S.W., Supervisor, Family Care Unit
Barrie MacFarlane, R.S.W., Superviscr, Child Care Unit
Barbara Williams, R.S.W., Supervisor, Single Parent Unit

Family Care Services

Family Care Services is a specialized child welfare service that offers help on behalf of any child considered or found to be neglected, abused or exploited. The focus is to help parents give care that meets their child's needs, thus protecting the child from further neglect or abuse and promoting the child's well-being. Family care workers also provide supportive assistance to single, pregnant women before and after the birth of their child.

Child Care Services

Child Care Services provides for the care of children and youth who are unable to return to the care of their parents, for whom the stresses of parenting are too great. Children who require placement away from their own families are cared for primarily by foster parents. The agency operates Genesis House, a staffed Group Home that provides care for eight adolescents. These youth are assisted by staff to handle the complexities of their relationships in the home and community. Older youth have moved into independent living situations with the goal of continuing their education and training and becoming self-supporting. The Annual Achievement Awards provided through the financial support of the public have since 1981 assisted more than 35 of these young people who have demonstrated exceptional academic and personal achievement. The agency has 161 children and youth in permanent care.

Adoption Services

Adoption Services are provided for children who cannot be raised by their natural parents and need and can benefit from new and permanent family ties established through legal adoption. In this way they are able to become members of a family that can give them the love, care, protection and opportunities essential for their healthy personal growth and development. Fourteen were placed in adoption homes in 1988-89.

Foster Care Services

Foster Care Services provides substitute family care for a planned period of time for a child when his or her own family cannot provide care for a temporary or extended period, and when adoption is either not yet possible or not desired. A number of foster parents who have had a child in care for several years or more have made a commitment to their foster child to live permanently as part of their family. The agency has 107 foster homes in this program.

Dartmouth District Office

Duncan K. Rosnok, District Supervisor

The Dartmouth District Office is located in the Professional Centre at 277 Pleasant Street, Suite 205, Dartmouth.

Rehabilitation Services

The Rehabilitation Services Program provides services to clients in the City of Halifax, the City of Dartmouth, and the County of Halifax with the exception of the Bedford-Sackville area, which is covered by a rehabilitation counsellor in the Sackville District Office.

Three rehabilitation counsellors provide vocational rehabilitation services to individuals with physical, mental or emotional disabilities who are at least 16 or older. These services include medical, social and vocational assessments; vocational counselling; and services relating to physical restoration and vocational training. The primary objective is to enable the disabled individual to obtain gainful employment. From April 1, 1988, to March 31, 1989, some 289 referrals were received, 177 new cases were opened, 168 clients were approved for training and 54 people found jobs.

Family and Children's Services

The Family and Children's Services Program serves the City of Dartmouth and the County of Halifax with the exception of the area serviced by the Sackville District Office (Bedford-Sackville and Halifax County West).

The Single Parent Program comprises three single-parent workers and one case aide. They are responsible for providing counselling and supportive services to single parents to help them plan for their children and themselves before and after the birth, and to help them follow through with their plans. The workers arrange accommodations, financial support and medical care; provide information about legal rights, childbirth and alternatives open to the mother concerning her child's future; provide temporary care for a child awaiting adoption placement; provide temporary care to give the mother time to make suitable plans to keep her child; and provide respite care to the single parent for her child. The goal of the Single Parent Program is to assure that the needs of both the parent and the child are met and to help each mother arrive at the plan of choice for her child. During fiscal 1988/89, service was provided to 278 single parents, of which 126 were referrals received to the program during this period of time.

The Foster Home Program has two social workers with B.S.W. qualifications. The program is responsible for recruitment, orientation, assessment and approving foster families for placements of children taken into care at the Dartmouth and Sackville district offices.

The workers provide supervision and support for foster families and they prepare and present orientation programs. The Orientation Training Program for new foster parents is presented through four group sessions over a four-week period. Workers in this program also participate in weekly permanency planning and adoption planning meetings for children in care. They provide liaison between foster parents and the agency, and they are also active in the local foster family association meetings. At the end of the fiscal year, 80 homes were in use, and the number of homes approved totalled 105.

Social service workers provide agency and private adoption services. The two agency adoption workers are responsible for the City of Dartmouth and Halifax County. They provide assessments of perspective adoption families for placement of children for adoption with a specific emphasis on the placements of children with special needs. The adoption program also offers pre-adoption orientation meetings and post-adoption services. Ten children were placed during the past fiscal year.

The private adoption program has a broad jurisdiction. This service is available to all areas of Halifax County, including the cities of Dartmouth and Halifax and the Town of Bedford. The private adoption program carried forward 35 cases from the previous year, 124 new cases were added and 60 were completed or closed, leaving an active caseload of 99. In addition, four international adoptions are in process.

The Children in Care Program employs three social service workers, one social worker, and a social service worker in the capacity of a case aide. They are responsible for 143 children in the care and custody of the Minister of Community Services as of March 31, 1989. The majority of children represented in the 143 are 13 or older. Therefore these workers are primarily involved with problems and resources related to adolescents. The goal of this program is to locate, secure and maintain adequate facilities and resources for the children in care through a foster family placement, adoption home, group facility or independent living situation. The workers must always take into consideration the best interests of the children and their long-term goals.

Independence Home, a facility providing an independent living situation for four girls, is supervised through the Children in Care Program at the Dartmouth District Office. Independence Home is staffed by two volunteers and is available to all girls 16 or older in the care of the Minister or other child welfare agencies in the province. The goal of the facility is to maintain girls who are completing their education or involved in primary job placements. The Independence Home program supports and directs residents towards basic skills that will assist them towards meeting their individual needs in the community.

The Protection Program is organized to receive reports of child abuse and neglect from the community it services. It is organized into three separate, functional units: Intake, Family Services, and Child Care.

The Intake Unit consists of four social workers who investigate all reports of child abuse and neglect received from the community. During the investigation, they determine if children are in need of protection. They will also assist families, if required, to obtain resources and services necessary to stabilize the family situation. It may be determined that ongoing monitoring and support is required by the Protection Program. These cases are then transferred to the Family Service Unit. A total of 958 intakes were received from April 1, 1988, to March 31, 1989.

The Family Services Unit consists of seven social workers and is designed to work with families over a longer period of time, from a few months to a few years. These are usually families that have multiple problems and require supervision, support and constant motivation to accept and use community rehabilitation services. During 1988-89 the caseload of the Family Services Unit increased significantly because of an increased number of referrals to the Protection Program.

Two social workers are responsible for delivering child protection services on the Eastern Shore of Halifax County. The person responsible for the eastern end of the district works from a sub-office in Sheet Harbour.

The Child Care Unit comprises two full-time social workers who work with all children placed in foster care by a social worker doing either Intake or Family Services work. A large percentage of the children are voluntarily admitted to care.

There is a provision for a family skills worker to be attached to the Protection Program who would be available to the other Family and Children's Services programs in the Dartmouth District Office. His or her responsibility will be to help the referred families to maintain a daily household routine as closely as possible, and to assist families in their individual needs for affection, attention and acceptance (i.e., in the areas of physical care, nutrition, health care, budgeting, etc.).

Three case aides are responsible for transporting children in care to and from appointments, visits, foster home placements, shopping, etc., and for completing social histories of applicants for admission to the mentally handicapped children's program. The case aides are also responsible for carrying out certain administrative tasks as designated by the district or casework supervisor.

During 1988-89 the Dartmouth District Office provided field placement for four students from the Maritime School of Social Work: two students in the Single Parent Program and two students in the Protection Program.

Sackville District Office

Graeme M. Fraser, M.S.W., District Supervisor

The Sackville District Office of the Department of Community Services is located at the Cobequid Multi-Service Centre, 70 Memory Lane, Lower Sackville. The service of the Department's office is enhanced by the opportunity to work cooperatively with a broad range of services housed at the centre.

Family and Children's Services

The Family and Children's Services Program serves a population of over 80,000 in Halifax County West (from Hubbards to the Musquodoboit Valley), with the largest concentration of population being in the Bedford-Sackville area. The program involves:

- investigation of referrals regarding children under 16 who are alleged to be abused or neglected
- counselling and support to families experiencing difficulty in parenting, with a view to the prevention or alleviation of abuse and neglect, and
- placement and supervision of children in the care of the agency either on a temporary or a permanent basis.

During the past year, 545 new referrals were made, about a 9% increase from the previous year. Although this represents significant growth, it is a more modest increase than in other recent years.

The number of children in permanent care once again declined slightly, to 38. A considerable number of children were taken into care for a period of time through an agreement with their families, and a small number were in temporary care awaiting a court decision. The total number of children in care at any given time during the fiscal year usually was in the 75–85 range.

Two social workers were added as part of a long-term plan to increase the staff complement to enable a better response to demonstrated needs for service. The staff complement in this program is now 11 caseworkers and one case aide, all under the direction of a casework supervisor. Plans are well under way for adding a family skills worker in the coming year.

Child sexual abuse continued to demand a heavy commitment of staff time. The expertise of the Department's staff and of others in the community has shown very notable development over the past five years; however many difficult and challenging issues related to child sexual abuse continue to be present. A large number of the referrals involved troubled adolescents. This agency, like others, is very concerned about the limited services available for dealing with these adolescents.

The Sackville office is one of three offices in the province to have been selected as a pilot site for the implementation of a computerized information system in Family and Children's Services. After a lengthy lead-up period, the office now is at the stage of beginning to use the "live" system. It is expected that the system will be a means of accessing comprehensive information more quickly and efficiently.

Family Benefits

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance to various categories of recipients, most notably disabled persons and single parents with dependent children.

In fiscal 1988/89 approximately $6 million was paid out to about 975 recipients and their families. This represents about an 8% increase in caseload. Unfortunately the growing numbers have made it difficult for the two Family Benefits workers always to serve their clients as promptly and thoroughly as desirable.

Vocational Rehabilitation

Vocational rehabilitation services are provided to the Bedford-Sackville area on a half-time basis. This program provides assessment and counselling, and facilitates job training and placement for disabled persons.

Because of the limited staff, time currently available, this program maintains a relatively low profile. Presently 50-60 clients are being served by the program at any given time. We look forward to a time when a staff person can be available to this office on a full-time basis, enabling us to serve more rehabilitation clients and to serve them better.

Valley Regional Office

Barry Costello, R.S.W., Regional Administrator
Vernon Totten, Casework Supervisor

The Valley Regional Office of the Department of Community Services has a staff complement of 11 and is located in the F.W. Robinson Building on Main Street in Kentville. The services of the Valley Regional Office encompass all of Kings and Hants counties. The Hants County office is located at Curry's Corner in Windsor.

From the regional office at Kentville, the Department provides services to approximately 58,000 residdents of Kings County, including the towns of Kentville, Berwick and Wolfville. The services provided by the Kentville office are as follows:

- Family Benefits
- rehabilitation services to the disabled
- rehabilitation services to single parents
- Day Care Services
- Adult Protection Services
- classifications and licensing, and
- home care services.

Family Benefits Program

Family Benefits in Kings County showed a slight increase over the previous year by a total of 88 cases; presently the total is 1,449 cases. This service is provided by three Family Benefits workers, who also

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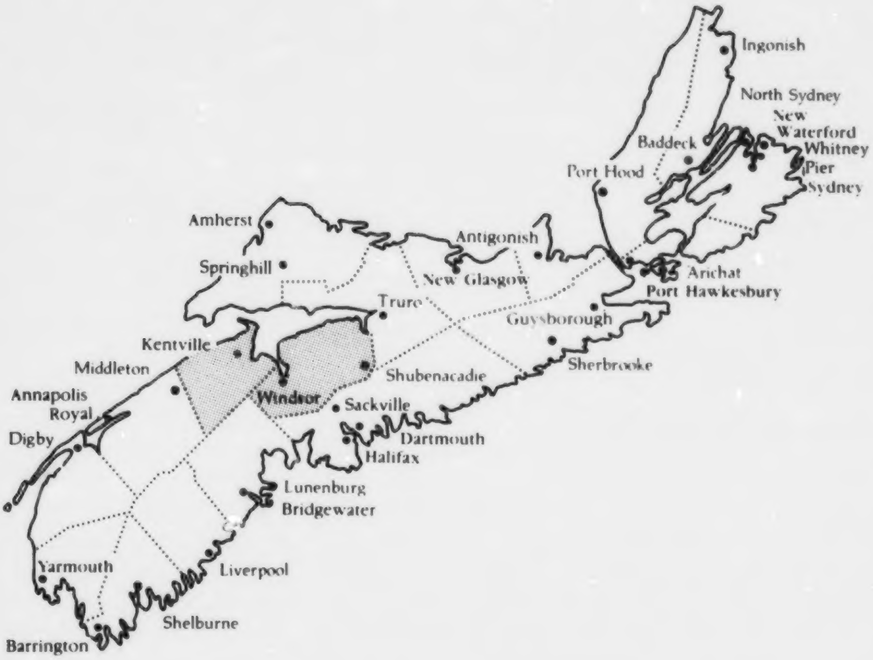
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provide Day Care Services to approximately 95 recipients and two day care centres, one located in Kentville and one in Wolfville.

The Family Benefits Program provides benefits under the Family Benefits Act and Regulations to:

- widows with dependent children
- single disabled persons
- disabled fathers and mothers with dependent children
- unmarried mothers
- divorced mothers
- spouses of prisoners, and
- foster parents.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided to the population of Kings and Annapolis counties by one caseworker who works out of the Valley Regional Office. This service is provided to members of the disabled population who are 16 years of age or older and unable to be gainfully employed because of physical, psychological or social handicaps. The service in this program can be offered by way of counselling and by assistance with the purchase of prosthetic devices that will allow the disabled individual to become self-sufficient.

Rehabilitation services for single parents of Kings County are provided by a counsellor working out of the Bridgewater office who provides this service two days per week. Services to single parents include counselling and/or monetary assistance, or a combination of both. With the addition of the Social Assistance Recipient (SARS) Program, a strong emphasis was placed on the training component for social assistance recipients. The object of the training in relation to the SARS initiative is to ensure that recipients will develop transferable skills through a combination of training and work experiences that will assist them in securing employment. In the Kings County area, we are able to provide training through provincial and federally funded projects. As a result, some 25 single parents are now employed full-time and 5 are no longer receiving Family Benefits.

Day Care Services

Day Care Services are available to preschool children in the towns of Kentville and Wolfville, as well as in the County of Kings. These registered centres make services available to families who may qualify for financial assistance under the provincial day care and subsidy program. The number of children in these two centres varies from month to month but for the most part ranges in the high eighties.

Adult Protection

Under this Act, services are provided for adults who are victims of abuse or neglect. The Adult Protection Program is administered under the Adult Protection Act. One caseworker out of the Kentville office provides services under this program to the western part of the province, including the South Shore. In the area served by the Valley Regional Office, the adult protection worker is assisted by six designates within this particular region.

Classifications and Assessments

This service is provided by one assessment officer located in the Kentville office whose area of responsibility includes Hants, Kings, Annapolis, Digby, Yarmouth, Shelburne, Queens and Lunenburg counties.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The Home Care Program coordinator for the Valley Region is located in the Kentville office. This service is provided by one caseworker who serves the counties of Kings and Hants. Eleven full-time home care workers are present in Kings County, 1 1/2 home care positions are filled in Wolfville, and 21 1/2 full-time positions are filled in Hants County.

Family Court, Kentville

Vernon J. Totten, Casework Supervisor

The Family Court is located in the Provincial Building at 136 Exhibition Street in Kentville. The Court is a circuit court that serves the counties of Kings and Annapolis, and West Hants. The Family Court hears matters under the following Acts:

- Family Maintenance Act
- Maintenance Orders Enforcement Act
- Children's Services Act
- Infants' Custody Act
- Young Offenders Act (Canada)
- Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act (Nova Scotia)
- Education Act
- Adult Protection Act
- Divorce Act (Canada), and
- Criminal Code offenses dealing with husband and wife, and parent and child (Section 236—Common Assault; Section 810—Threat).

The services under the aforementioned Acts are provided by three Family Court Judges. Judge Bob Levy was appointed to the bench in 1988. The Court has a staff complement of two enforcement officers, one casework supervisor responsible for the enforcement program, three court reporters, one steno-receptionist, one bookkeeper, and one Youth Court worker.

The number of orders in the Court as of March 31, 1989, was 2,027. Collections totalled $1,417,757.80 for the same period.

The Court transferred 654 cases to Lunenburg County in 1988, which is reflected by the decrease in collections over the previous year.

Tracking provisions have proven a valuable tool in enforcing orders when a payer's address becomes unknown. Work on the automation of the Court from personal computers to a mainframe continues on schedule. Kentville is one of the offices designated as a pilot project for the automation of the enforcement program. The personal computer system has been in operation for 2 1/2 years. The enforcement program is now completely dependent on the automated system, for everything from calculations of defaults to the production of maintenance cheques to clients.

Young Offender Services

Services to young offenders are provided by one Youth Court worker out of the Kentville office. This worker is responsible for all cases that come before the Court under the Young Offenders Act and the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act, as well as certain cases that come before the Court under the Education Act. The Youth Court worker carries about 30–35 cases.

Family and Children's Services of Kings County

Barry Costello, R.S.W., Executive Director
Bob Myles, R.S.W., Assistant Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Kings County provides legislated protective services for children in Kings County whose well-being may be at risk because of abuse or neglect. Through counselling and the use of community resources, staff help parents to provide a safe and caring environment for their children.

Social workers in the protection program worked with the families of approximately 850 children during the year, some requiring intensive and long-term help, some requiring alternative care arrangements and some requiring short-term assessment, counselling and/or referral to a more appropriate service.

Fiscal 1988/89 was an intensive year for the workers and programs of Family and Children's Services of Kings County. The rate of new referrals to the agency remained high at 694 for the year. The key factor was the number of validated high-risk cases, especially in the area of child sexual and physical abuse. We saw 66 referrals of suspected sexual abuse and 84 referrals of suspected physical abuse.

Foster Care Services

Foster care services includes 58 foster families who provided for the care of 190 children during the year, 94 of these in the permanent care and custody of the agency and unable to return to the care of their parents by court decision. The majority of these children live with foster families. The agency arranges a home visit shortly after an application to foster is received, and an information package is provided to prospective foster parents at that time. Training for foster parents is on an individual basis, e.g., one foster home may wish to care for teenagers, while another may wish to care for infants.

The Foster Parents' Association of Kings County was active during the year and is helping to provide training opportunities for foster parents. Foster families must have special qualities to help children feel secure and accepted during an often traumatic and frightening time in their lives. Fostering includes working with and preparing children to return to their own families, preparation of children for adoption placement, and sometimes offering permanent care to children. A long-term commitment is sought between foster parents and a child who is unable to return home or is being placed for adoption.

Although many of these children need help to develop independent living skills, the need for foster homes for older children continues to be a concern. Specialized foster families are being sought more often for children with special and demanding needs.

Adoption Services

Adoption services are focussing more than ever on recruiting and assessing adoption homes for older children and siblings. Family and Children's Services of Kings County placed 10 children for adoption during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1989.

Educational meetings with prospective adopting applicants continue to focus on the needs of the adopted child and the adopting parents, and on the paramount need for homes for hard-to-place children. In addition to agency adoption placements, 22 private adoptions were processed. The agency views adoption as the alternative of choice if children cannot remain with their own families.

Single Parent Services

Single Parent Services provided counselling to 32 single, pregnant women, and follow-up supportive services after the birth of their children. Most single women choose to raise their own children and often require supplementary support and resources to do so. In 1988-89, only one single parent counselled relinquished her child to the agency for adoption. Many single parents require follow-up help because of isolation, lack of family support, inadequate income, poor housing and/or lack of child-rearing skills.

Family Skills Program

This program, which began in 1979, continues to teach parenting skills, budgeting, nutritional needs and household management to families who need assistance to provide their children with a better quality of care. Presently the agency employs two experienced family skills workers. This supportive program often prevents children from having to come into the care of the agency. Seventy-two families were served during fiscal 1988/89. During the year the Department of Community Services assumed 100% of the funding for this program under the Coordinated Home Care Program.

Hants District Office

Lubin G. Bourque, R.S.W., District Supervisor
Joyce L. Kerr, Senior Caseworker

The Hants District Office, with its eleven staff, occupies the Fred Blenkhorne Building at Curry's Corner, located within the Town of Windsor. With a total complement of 56 full- and part-time staff housed in three buildings in Windsor, the Department of Community Services and the Family and Children's Services of Hants County, through a joint-service agreement, provide community programs to the approximately 36,000 residents of Hants County.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The new Coordinated Home Care Program was implemented in Hants County in December 1988. It allows simplified access to services through a single entry point. In-home assistance is provided for eligible senior citizens (aged 65 years and older), disabled persons and families at risk. The program is jointly sponsored by the departments of Community Services and Health and Fitness.

Family Benefits Program

On average, approximately 750 Family Benefits recipients are served by two Family Benefits workers in this office. Assistance is given to disabled people, single parents with dependent children, disabled fathers with dependent children, and foster parents. These workers also help process applications for Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs.

Day Care Services

Family Benefits personnel process all applications for day care subsidization, licensing procedures for new day care centres, and yearly assessments of all day care centres in the area.

The Department of Community Services subsidizes a day care centre within the Town of Windsor. This centre is a registered facility for 45 preschool children; 30 subsidized seats are available for those who qualify for assistance.

Municipal Social Services Program

Municipal Social Services has two main components: General Assistance, which is normally short-term assistance; and assistance for residents in Homes for Special Care. Four Municipal Social Services workers are employed at this office, providing services to five municipal units: East Hants, West Hants, Windsor, Hantsport and Wolfville. The General Assistance caseload averages 300 perople per month. The Homes for Special Care caseload averages 215 per month.

Adult Protection Services

Under the Adult Protection Act, adults can be given service if they are victims of abuse or neglect or if they are unable to care for themselves by reason of physical disability or mental infirmity. An adult protection worker based in Kentville is responsible for the administration of the Act in Hants County. In addition, four Municipal Social Services staff and the District Supervisor are designates under the Act.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services are provided half-time by a rehabilitation counsellor from this office to approximately 40 people in Hants County who may possess a variety of social, physical and psychological handicaps. The thrust of this program is to assist individuals in need who are 16 years of age and older to develop occupational skills that will help them to take their place in society. The counsellor based in the Hants District Office also provides Rehabilitation Services on a half-time basis to the District Office in Lower Sackville.

Homemakers Services of Hants County

Homemakers Services of Hants County became the local entry agency for Coordinated Home Care in Hants County on December 19, 1988. Persons seeking home support in Hants County can access the program by calling one toll-free number: 1-798-4452.

Following a request for service, a home care social assessor and/or community health nurse assessor will visit the home. Based on the assessed need for services, any one or combination of the following services may be provided: homemaking, home nursing, housing referrals and volunteer services such as Meals on Wheels and Wheels to Meals.

Home care services are being provided to an average of 275 individuals each month. Nursing services in Hants County are provided by the Victorian Order of Nurses and certified nursing assistants in West Hants, and by Department of Health and Fitness community nurses and certified nursing assistants in East Hants. Homemaking services are provided throughout the county by Homemakers Services of Hants County.

Family Court, Windsor and Shubenacadie

Three Family Court Judges sit in Hants County: two in Windsor and one in Shubenacadie. The majority of cases coming before the Court are under the following Acts: the Children's Services Act, Young Offenders Act, Family Maintenance Act, Adult Protection Act and Infants' Custody Act.

A Youth Court worker and a court reporter are based within the Hants District Office.

Enforcement Services for the Windsor and Shubenacadie courts are provided from outside Hants County.

Family and Children's Services of Hants County

Lubin G. Bourque, R.S.W., Executive Director
Shirley J. Morrison, M.S.W., Casework Supervisor

Family and Children's Services of Hants County is a private child protection agency with a board of directors drawn from throughout the county. The agency was originally established as the Children's Aid Society of West Hants and provided child welfare services to West Hants and the County of Kings. From its humble beginning, Family and Children's Services of Hants County has grown to include 20 full- and part-time staff members who provide services for the population of more than 36,000 people in Hants County.

Child Protection and Family Care Services

Four social workers provide services to families throughout Hants County, including the Indian Brook Reserve at Shubenacadie. It is expected that all services to the Indian Brook Reserve will be provided by the Micmac Family and Children's Services Agency on or about November 1, 1989.

During the past year the number of families in Hants County counselled by Protection Services staff totalled 336, with 559 children involved.

Foster Care Services

Foster Care Services provides both short- and long-term substitute family care for children who are unable to remain in their own homes. Agency staff recruit and select prospective foster parents through a series of group meetings and individual interviews. The agency has 30 approved foster homes for placement of children and adolescents.

Adoption Services

Adoption is a process by which a legal relationship of parent and child is established between persons who are not related by birth. Children are placed through the agency with adoptive parents who have been thoroughly screened prior to placement. The agency also processes and supervises a number of non-agency adoptions. Last year, two children were placed for adoption with families in Hants County, and 11 non-agency adoptions were handled by staff.

Services to Single Parents

Supportive guidance and confidential, free counselling is offered to unmarried parents who require help in planning for their expected child. During the past year, 13 referrals were made of single parents requesting assistance in planning for their infant children.

Children in Care and Custody

The agency provides for the care of children who are unable to remain at home with their original parents. Last year, four children came into the care and custody of the agency, and nine children left the agency's auspices. At year's end the agency was responsible for 39 children in care.

Family Support Program

Family Support staff provide practical support and guidance to families who experience child-related difficulties. These practical services are offered in conjunction with those of the social workers involved and focus on child care, budgeting with a limited income, planning nutritious meals, child management and effective use of community resources. Familes are selected for this program on the basis of their needs and willingness to accept additional services from the agency. Currently, two staff members are employed in this program, one as a family skills worker through the Coordinated Home Care Program and the other as a case aide.

Windsor Group Home

The agency operates a Group Home for adolescent boys that was established in 1977. Located in the Town of Windsor, the home has a capacity for six youths and is staffed by four full-time counsellors, two part-time counsellors and a full-time Group Home supervisor. Often the Group Home is maintained at full capacity. However, during this past year, 15 boys were admitted to the home and 16 boys were discharged, leaving five at year's end.

Hants County Christmas Daddies Show

The agency has conducted its own Christmas Daddies Show since 1977. Utilizing local cable television and radio, the program has a distinct local flavour. The organization of the show requires many volunteers, and considerable commitment and support has been shown by the community.

The 1988 Christmas Daddies Show was a resounding success, with actual donations exceeding the amount pledged by 104%, and approximately $23,000 was raised. Together with proceeds from the mainland Nova Scotia Christmas Daddies Show, 732 Hants County children were able to have a better Christmas.

South Shore Regional Office

Patrick Lachance, N.S.W., Regional Administrator

The South Shore Regional Office encompasses the district offices of Queens, Lunenburg and Shelburne counties. It is located in Liverpool and now occupies the newly constructed C.J. Burke Building located at 301 Henry Hensey Drive. Through a joint-service agreement, the Department of Community Services and Family and Children's Services of Queens County provide community programs for approximately 13,000 residents in the Town of Liverpool and the County of Queens.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance for various categories of recipients, most notably disabled persons and single parents with dependent children. The program, served by one field worker, processes new applications and determines ongoing eligibility yearly for the nearly 350 individuals and families who receive Family Benefits. The worker also helps to process applications for Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs and Diabetic Assistance, and serves as the Adult Protection Services designate.

Municipal Social Services

The Municipal Social Services Program consists of three major components: General Assistance, Homes for Special Care, and the In-Home Support Program. The service provides short-term financial assistance to individuals determined to be in need and individuals seeking admission to a Home for Special Care, and financial assistance to seniors and disabled individuals wishing to remain in their home with support from a relative as an alternative to placement in a Home for Special Care. The program is administered by two full-time social service workers and one accounting clerk in accordance with contractual arrangements with both the Town of Liverpool and the Municipality of Queens County. The General Assistance caseload currently averages approximately 145 families, with Homes for Special Care averaging approximately 130 individuals. One of the social service workers acts as an Adult Protection Services designate.

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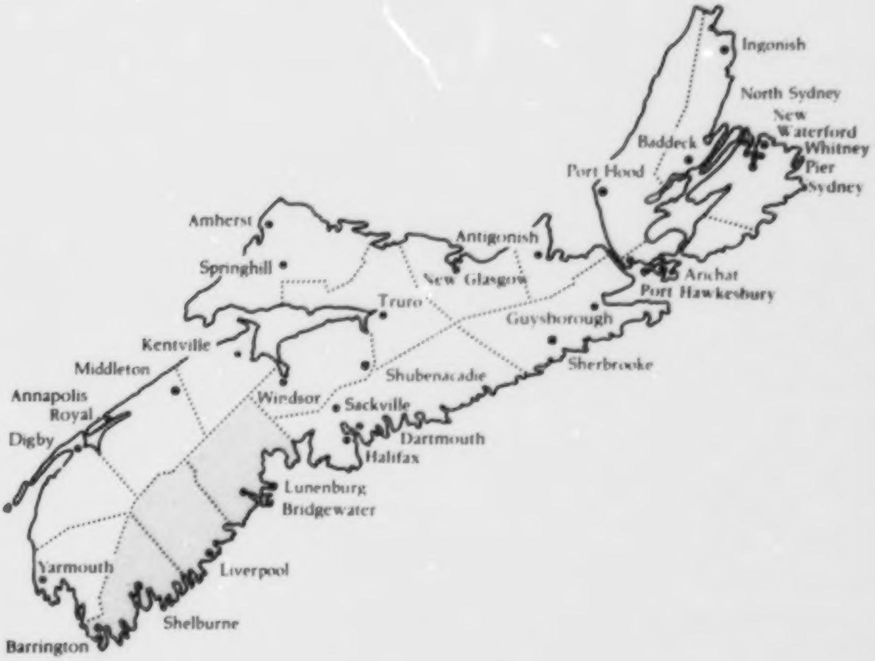
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Rehabilitation and Single Parent Programs

Both programs continue to be delivered to Queens County from workers at the Lunenburg District Office and provide services to assist individuals in becoming self-sufficient.

Young Offender and Court Services

This program, including enforcement, continues to be delivered to Queens County from one worker at the Lunenburg District Office.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The Coordinated Home Care Program is now up and running in Queens County under the direction of Mrs. Alice Middleton, Regional Home Care Coordinator. This program coordinates the delivery of a range of health, housing, and social services to meet the needs of people who require assistance or support in order to remain at home. Access to the program is through a single entry point, the homemakers agency.

Family and Children's Services of Queens County

Patrick M. Lachance, M.S.W., Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Queens County is a private child-protection agency with a board of directors drawn from throughout the county and is responsible for children's legislated services in Queens County. The agency shares office space and administration with the Department of Community Services under a joint-service agreement. Three social service workers provide these services to children and adults: investigation of referrals of children who are alleged to be abused or neglected; counselling and support to families experiencing difficulty in parenting, with a view to the prevention or alleviation of abuse or neglect; and placement and supervision of children in the care of the agency either on a temporary or permanent basis. Social workers in the protection program worked with the families of approximately 205 children during the year, some requiring intensive and long-term help, some requiring alternative care arrangements and some requiring short-term assessment, counselling and/or referral to a more appropriate service.

Foster Care Program

Currently 20 children are in the care and custody of the agency, 8 children are in voluntary care, and 13 Foster Homes are active.

Homemakers Services

The Homemakers Services Program at the agency is entering its twelfth year of operation. With a staff of nine, and an agency worker supervising the program, the Queens County Homemakers Service provides support and assistance to elderly and disabled citizens. The service is provided to approximately 190 recipients and offers approximately 11,000 direct service hours each year.

Family Skills Program

The Family Skills Program was incorporated in January 1989 under the direction of one family skills worker, teaching skills in budgeting, nutritional needs, child care and household management to families who need assistance with the quality of care their children are receiving. Approximately seven families have been helped to learn the skills needed to raise children. This supportive program often prevents children from having to come into the care of the agency.

Queens Association for Early Childhood Intervention

The agency continues its funding of this program, which meets the needs of physical and handicapped children from birth to age 5.

Family Court, Liverpool

Family Court continues to be held by a circuit judge who sits in Liverpool one day per week.

Lunenburg District Office

James L. Kenny, Acting District Supervisor

The Lunenburg District Office serves the towns of Bridgewater, Lunenburg and Mahone Bay and the municipalities of the districts of Lunenburg and Chester. The office is located in the Provincial Building, Suite 105, 99 High Street, Bridgewater.

Family Benefits

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance to approximately 1,000 recipients. Two field staff conduct this program and 264 applications were processed over the last fiscal year.

Municipal Social Services

Municipal Social Services is provided through a contractual arrangement between the Department of Social Services and the five municipal units of Lunenburg County. A joint social services committee with representation from each of the five municipal councils provides harmony in policymaking. Three permanent caseworkers and one part-time worker provide General Assistance services and placement in Homes for Special Care for eligible persons.

The General Assistance program includes financial aid to needy persons, community residence services and supervised apartments for the mentally handicapped, Homemakers Services and the In-Home Support Program for senior citizens and disabled persons.

Home for Special Care include residential care facilities, Group Homes, Nursing Homes, Homes for the Aged and Adult Residential Centres. At present, approximately 340 persons are maintained in these Homes by the five municipal units of Lunenburg County.

Rehabilitation Services

The Vocational Rehabilitation Services for Disabled Persons Program offers vocational assessment and counselling services to disabled Nova Scotians. The following services are offered under this program: assessment, rehabilitation counselling, technical aids, training, and assistance with job placements. One rehabilitation worker provides services to Lunenburg and Queens counties. The active caseload on March 31, 1989, was 90 cases.

Single Parent Program

The Career Planning with Single Parents Program provides service to single parents in receipt of Family Benefits payments. The vocational worker is responsible for Lunenburg, Queens and Kings counties.

The services provided include vocational assessment; individual and group counselling; formulation of an individualized vocational plan; identification of and referral to community resources, training and educational opportunities and funding sources; and assistance with job search and placement.

As of March 1989 there were 114 active cases in the region. The majority were involved in full- or part-time education or training programs. Others were employed, engaged in vocational planning, or job searching.

Day Care Services

The Department of Community Services subsidizes a day care centre in Bridgewater and another in Lunenburg. These day care services are for preschoolers and, as of the close of the fiscal year, there were 100 subsidized families. Inspections of 23 nursery schools in Lunenburg and Queens counties are also handled by the Lunenburg District Office.

Adult Protection Services

In the first half of the 1988/89 fiscal year, 62 new referrals were made for services to adults.

Youth Court, Lunenburg and Liverpool

The Youth Court is held in the towns of Lunenburg and Liverpool. One probation officer serves both Lunenburg and Queens counties. There were 160 hearings during the year, and the number of youth on probation on March 31, 1989, was 47. In Lunenburg County, collections under the Family Maintenance Act amounted to $725,832 for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1989.

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County

Janet Moore, Assistant Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Lunenburg County, formerly known as the Children's Aid Society of Lunenburg County, has been in existence since 1941. The office is located at Suite 105, Provincial Building, 99 High Street, in Bridgewater. The agency shares office space and administration with the Department of Community Services under a joint-service agreement.

Family and Children's Services provides the following services to the community:

- Adoption Services
- counselling services to unmarried parents
- foster care program
- services to children in care and custody
- child protection services
- family therapy, and
- a visiting homemakers service.

Our staff has increased over the past year and consists of an executive director, assistant executive director, eight social workers, a family therapist, a family skills worker, a homemaker director, an assistant homemaker director (part-time), and a home care assessor.

The past 12 months have shown an increase in referrals to all programs. At the end of March 1989 the agency's child protection caseload stood at 253 cases. The family skills worker carried a caseload of 17 clients. Fourteen children were taken into care under the Children's Services Act and 48 children were placed in foster care under voluntary care agreements. In the adoption program, eight agency adoptions were completed and 15 private adoptions were processed.

Our family therapist ended March 1989 with 80 cases. The visiting homemaker program was providing service to 158 clients at the end of the year.

At the end of the fiscal year, the ward caseload stood at 60. It is interesting to note that 58 of these children were over the age of 10. Although the number of children in care and custody had decreased, they are older and thus continue to challenge workers for new and innovative ideas for placement in the foster care and adoption programs.

Shelburne District Office

Raymond G. Harris, District Supervisor

The Shelburne District Office is a joint-service office located in the Administrative Centre in Barrington. The office provides departmental and children's aid society services to the five municipal units of Shelburne County.

Family Benefits Program

Family Benefits Program provides services to an average of 350 recipients each year. The services are available to disabled people, people with dependent children, and foster parents.

Single Parent Program

The Single Parent Program caseload is presently 12. This program allows financial assistance and counselling for single parents to participate in training or employment.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services provides vocational counselling and financial assistance to handicapped persons to attend training. The present caseload is 20. Two clients are attending community college.

Day Care Services

Our responsibility with day care is to determine eligibility for subsidized day care and to recommend licensing of private day care centres. Presently we have 10 subsidized seats and four private day care centres.

Adult Protection

Services under the Adult Protection Act are provided within the meaning of the Act. During the past year we have dealt with 20 referrals, with five actual cases.

The above programs are administered by Mr. Donald K. Archer, Community Social Worker, under the supervision of Mr. Raymond Harris.

Services to Seniors

Assistance is also privided to seniors with referrals, completion of applications and follow-up in the financial aid programs for seniors and the income security programs. This program is administered by Mr. Don Archer, Community Services Worker, with assistance from Mr. Karl White, Community Services Worker.

Municipal Assistance Program

The Municipal Assistance Program is administered by the Department of Community Services on a contractual basis with the towns of Lockeport, Shelburne and Clarks Harbour and the municipalities of the districts of Barrington and Shelburne. The five municipal units have a joint social service committee responsible for policy. The average General Assistance caselod is 35. We are also responsible for classification and placement in Homes for Special Care and the In-Home Support Program. Presently we have 160 residents in Homes for Special Care throughout the province and six In-Home Support recipients. Liaison with the Municipal Social Services Committee is generally on a monthly basis. The Municipal Social Services worker, Mr. Karl White, is responsible for administration here, under the supervision of the District Supervisor.

Coordinated Home Care Program

The Coordinated Home Care Program for Shelburne County became effective in April 1989. This program is basically a coordination of services formerly provided by community health nurses for the Department of Health and Fitness and the Homemakers Services Program under the five municipal units of Shelburne County. Miss Heidi Trask was appointed Coordinator/Assessor on a full-time basis and Mrs. Morag Wilson was appointed Part-Time Assessor effective April 1989. The program is relatively new and the first few months have been busy in screening and assessing existing cases. Presently, 62 recipients are receiving the coordinated services. It is anticipated, as the program becomes known and services become more developed, that this caseload will expand considerably.

Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County

Raymond G. Harris, Executive Director

The Children's Aid Society of Shelburne County provides the following services:

- Adoption Services
- protection services
- foster care
- unmarried mothers services
- family counselling
- family support and services, and
- other services such as out-of-province requests, services to the mentally handicapped, and custody reports.

During 1988-89 we have added a half-time adolescent worker, Mr. Derek Williams, who is responsible for adolescent counselling in Shelburne County. The present caseload is 19.

A family skills worker is expected to be hired within the month. This worker will be responsible for developing life skills with clients, assisting with household management and acting as a liaison to other community services.

Fifty-one children are in care. During the past year, 17 children were placed in care either by voluntary care agreements or Court order. The agency has a child protection caseload of approximately 70.

The agency also operates the Receiving Home, capable of accommodating six children. The Receiving Home is available for children coming into care on a short-term basis while an assessment is completed and recommendation for more permanent care is put into place. During the year our Receiving Home cared for a total of 23 children.

One of the most pleasing and satisfying aspects of our children in care is that four of our children attended university during 1988-89.

For a number of years our agency has identified the need for vocational services for the mentally handicapped adults of our county and was responsible for organizing a local board of directors to deal with this need. One of the highlights has been the opening this year of a sheltered workshop, with a campus in Barrington and a campus in Shelburne that are providing sheltered employment and supported work.

One of the goals of the agency for 1988-90 is to spearhead a movement to provide an early intervention program for Shelburne County.

Western Regional Office

Douglas G. Raymond, R.S.W., Regional Administrator
Michael J. Kendrick, B.A., M.S.W., M.Th.,
Assistant Regional Administrator

The Western Region encompasses Yarmouth, Digby and Annapolis counties. The regional office is located in Yarmouth, with district offices in Digby and Annapolis Royal. The regional administrator is responsible for program development, coordination and supervision, and the operation of both the regional and district offices.

Two persons were employed through the provincial employment program at the Western Regional Office during the 12-month period ending March 31, 1989. One individual served as a case aide for the provincial Family Benefits Program and the Municipal Social Services Program, one provided clerical services to these programs and one provided labour services to a Home for Special Care.

The Western Regional Office is accountable for program delivery to a population of approximately 24,000 people within the County of Yarmouth.

Family Benefits Program

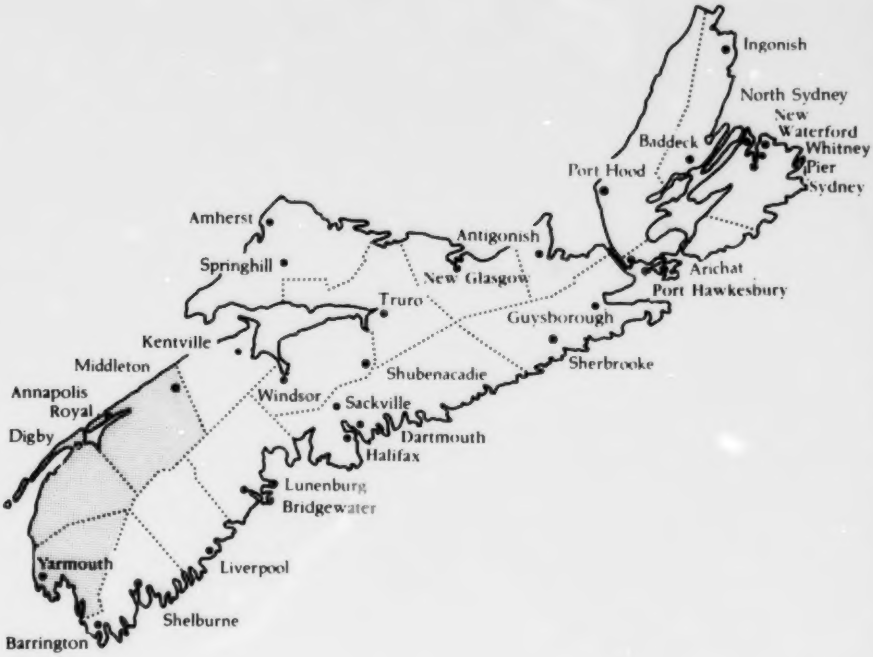
The Family Benefits Program has two caseworkers who help individuals apply for financial assistance. Personal and financial data are validated and reported in writing to the Family Benefits Division in Halifax, enabling the Director of Family Benefits to determine eligibility. Annual reviews and changes in the financial status of clients are carried out by social service workers, who have a combined caseload of about 883 clients.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services for the counties of Yarmouth and Digby are provided by one caseworker. Another caseworker provides counselling services to single parents in Digby, Yarmouth and Annapolis counties.

Regional Offices

Western Region



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Digby
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Halifax
Lunenburg
Bridgewater
Yarmouth
Liverpool
Shelburne
Barrington

OFFICES

Western Regional Office — Yarmouth
Digby District Office — Digby
Annapolis District Office — Annapolis Royal
Family Court — Yarmouth
Digby (circuit)

Municipal Social Services Program

The Municipal Social Services Program is provided on a contractual basis between the Minister of Community Services and the Town of Yarmouth, the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth, and the Municipality of the District of Argyle. The three caseworkers responsible for this program provide assistance to clients applying for short-term financial aid and placement in Homes for Special Care. Personal, financial and social data are collected and assessed by these staff members to determine eligibility.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services are provided under the Municipal Social Services Program to the elderly and disabled throughout the County of Yarmouth. Supervised by Department staff, homemakers are employees of the municipalites. Six full-time and 21 part-time homemakers comprise the staff, with direct supervision provided by a coordinator.

Family Court, Yarmouth

The Family Court has its offices in Yarmouth, with circuit courtroom facilities located in Digby, Barrington and Shelburne. A court supervisor is responsible for staff involved in programs relating to maintenance collection and enforcement, the Young Offenders Act and the other statutes over which the Family Court has jurisdiction.

Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County

Douglas G. Raymond, R.S.W., Executive Director

Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County, formerly the Children's Aid Society of Yarmouth County, is located in the Provincial Building, 10 Starr's Road in Yarmouth. As a private child-caring agency, with a board of 26 directors, it has been in existence since 1913 and is in its seventy-fifth year of operation, providing services to a population base of approximately 27,000.

The agency presently has a complement of five field staff, a family skills worker, a case aide, secretary, bookkeeper, switchboard operator, casework supervisor and director. During the summer of 1988 the agency was fortunate once more to employ a university student under the federal Challenge '88 program in the capacity of case aide. This was a temporary replacement as the permanent case aide requested a leave of absence to further her education. Under the mandate of the Children's Services Act, the agency provided the following services:

- child protection
- services to children in care and custody
- adoptions (agency and private)
- foster homes
- services to single parents
- family skills
- home assessments, and
- the Residential Centre at Hebron.

Child Protection Program

Services to children in this area were handled by three field staff and an intake worker who investigated referrals with a team approach. The agency received 179 protection referrals and closed 181, for a carry-over of 81 cases. Only one child was apprehended during the year, a decrease of 11 from the previous fiscal year, and the number of voluntary care agreements, 31, was also down from last year.

In an effort to maintain children in their home environments and work in their best interests, staff made 52 court appearances and invested many overtime hours.

Care and Custody Program

During our 75 years of operation, 891 children have been committed to the care and custody of the agency. At the end of the fiscal year, 33 children remained in custody, a decrease of 12 children from the previous year. The majority of these children remaining in care were between the ages of 10 and 20. Permanancy continued to play a major role in the goal planning for each child in care, and assessments were made on a regular basis.

Foster Home Program

Foster parents were active during the year and a banquet was given in their honour during National Foster Family Week. At that time, appreciation certificates were presented to foster parents for their years of service. A training workshop was also provided during this week.

Sixteen foster care inquiries were made during the year and six home studies were completed and approved. At the end of the fiscal year the agency had 45 homes, with 22 in use.

Adoption Services

During fiscal year 1988/89, nine agency adoption inquiries were received, along with 17 private adoption inquiries. At the end of the year, 28 applicants were in the evaluation process awaiting home studies. Eight children were placed for adoption during the year, either directly through the agency or through other agencies. Eight private adoptions were also processed and completed.

Single Parent Program

This program appeared to show an upswing during the year over previous years, as eight individuals were counselled. Of these, five were under the age of 19, and only one child was placed through the adoption program. The program continued to emphasize individual options, and the trend of single parents was to keep their children.

As a result of provincial assistance being made available to single parents between the ages of 16 and 18 under certain guidelines, the single-parent worker took on the new task of assessing such home situations before final approval for assistance was granted. A number of these assessments were completed during the year.

Family Skills Program

The agency was fortunate to see this new program added to the regular programs during the year. A worker was hired on December 1, 1988, and the program went into full swing in January 1989. The object was to provide support and education to families at risk, and the focus of the program was to provide better child care and household management. At the end of the fiscal year the program supported a small intensive caseload of seven.

Home Studies

From time to time the agency is asked to complete reports concerning children entering facilities for the mentally handicapped or to prepare home assessments for the Family Benefits Program or the Family Court. These services are offered as supplements and are completed whenever time permits.

Residential Centre

The facility located in the community of Hebron, Yarmouth County, has been in operation since August 1974. It is under the umbrella of the board of directors of Family and Children's Services of Yarmouth County. During the fiscal year the centre had 25 adolescents—six girls and 19 boys—pass through.

Because of problems during the year the centre was forced to take a new outlook, to temporarily reduce the number of residents and to increase staff. Since the facility is operated on a 24-hour basis, the nine counsellors, housemother, stenographer and director are better equipped to provide a comprehensive program for those individuals with serious problems who come to the centre for help.

Children at the centre have attended schools in the area and have been kept busy with extracurricular activities, such as programs offered at the Y.M.C.A. and a trip to the United States in our newly purchased 15-passenger van.

Digby District Office

G. Greg Wiseman, District Supervisor

The Digby District Office of the Department of Community Services is located in the Town of Digby on Warwick Street. A staff complement of 15 provides the varied services offered. The staff includes four clerical workers, 2.5 municipal workers, two Family Benefits workers, four child welfare workers, one special protection worker and the District Supervisor.

Municipal Social Services Program

Municipal Social Services are provided on a contractural basis with the three municipal units in the county. The program is administered by one part-time and two full-time caseworkers. One full-time worker and one part-time worker serve the municipalities of the District of Digby and the Town of Digby, while one full-time worker provides services to the Municipality of the District of Clare. The program provides financial assistance to individuals determined to be in need. This includes individuals in a community residence program; services to people seeking admission to a Home for Special Care; and the In-Home Support Program, where assistance is granted to seniors and disabled people remaining in their home through the support they receive from relatives.

Family Benefits Program

The Family Benefits Program provides financial assistance, usually of a prolonged nature, to disabled individuals, disabled fathers and/or disabled mothers with dependent children, unmarried mothers and fathers with dependent children, deserted mothers and fathers with dependent children, aged people, and foster parents.

The program is administered by two caseworkers. One worker is responsible for services to the Town of Digby and the Municipality of the District of Digby, and the other worker serves the residents of the Municipality of the District of Clare where he or she also completes day care subsidy applications from parents whose children attend La Garderie Familiale de Clare (Clare Family Day Care).

The workers in this program handle all home-improvement loan requests from program recipients and process applications for Senior Citizens Financial Aid Programs. Both workers are also designates under the Adult Protection Services legislation.

Rehabilitation Services

Rehabilitation Services (which include vocational services for single parents) are provided by two caseworkers from the Western Regional Office in Yarmouth. These workers are in the Digby office about one day each week.

Family and Children's Services

The Family and Children's Services provides services which include:

- child protection
- services to children in care and custody
- adoptions (agency and private)
- foster homes
- unmarried mothers services, and
- Court-ordered reports.

All four workers carry a mixed caseload, of which protective and family services provide the most. One hundred and twenty-two cases were opened during 1988-89, while 117 were closed. The agency placed 27 children in voluntary care, a decline from the previous year. The agency continues to provide early support to families by using day care services as a means of support. Twenty-nine children were in care and custody, a decline of two from the previous year.

Digby's foster parents remain an integral part of the service provided. There were 46 new foster home placements in 1988-89. Foster care remains the backbone of the child welfare services.

Adoption services remain low, as is the tendency provincially. Thirty-three inquiries were made; however, the agency had no adoptions.

The agency also provides services to unmarried mothers, of which there were five new cases.

Adult Protection Services

Since the proclamation of the Adult Protection Act on January 6, 1986, the office investigates reports to determine if an adult is in need of protection. The new legislaton and this program are specifically designed to provide help and offer services to elderly, disabled and/or mentally infirm persons incapable of protecting themselves from abuse or neglect. A recognized adult protection worker situated in Kentville services the Digby area in concert with five district office staff who have received designations to perform certain duties under this legislation.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Services are provided to approximately 200 senior and disabled recipients each month in Digby County and are sponsored by three municipal units.

Services in the Town and the Municipality of the District of Digby are provided by a part-time coordinator/home care assessor and seven full- and part-time homemakers. The services in the District of Clare are provided by a full-time coordinator/home care assessor and four full-time homemakers. This staff is supervised by the Youth Court worker from the Digby office.

Youth Court/Family Court

The Young Offender and Family Court Services Program for Digby and Annapolis counties is administered by a Youth Court worker who provides services to youths who appear before the Family Court under the Young Offenders Act, the Education Act and the Young Persons Summary Proceedings Act. The Youth Court worker attends Youth Court in Digby on the second Tuesday of each month and, for Annapolis County, on the third Thursday of each month in Middleton. Family Court sits in Clare up to two days a month and sits in Digby on Tuesday of each week.

Other services associated with the Youth Court are the Alternative Measures Program, the Community Service Orders Program and the Volunteer Services Program. Those related Youth Court services are provided for Digby County by the Southwest Alternative Measures Program Association situated in Yarmouth, and for Annapolis County by the Community Development Project situated in Kentville.

Annapolis District Office

Donald Lefurgey, District Supervisor

The Annapolis District Office, located in the Municipal Building in Annapolis Royal, employs two Family Benefits workers who provide service to the people of Annapolis County, a population of almost 24,000. These two workers carried a total caseload of 646 at the end of the 1988/89 fiscal year. The Family Benefits workers are also very active in housing programs, day care relicensing and supervision, social assistance appeals, and adult abuse and neglect investigations.

Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County

Located in the Municipal Building, Annapolis Royal, Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County employs seven social workers who provide child protection services, foster care, unmarried mother and adoption services, marriage and family counselling, and skills in family living. Homemakers Services of Annapolis County is also under our sponsorship.

Protection Services

During 1988-89, protection staff investigated 166 referrals concerning the neglect, physical abuse or sexual abuse of children. Four children, all teenagers, were removed from their homes, and two came into the permanent care and custody of the agency. At year-end, two were still awaiting a Family Court decision.

A committee has been formed to establish a protocol with other helping agencies in the county. It includes representatives from community health, school board, council of churches, local police, mental health and day care organizations.

Children in Care and Custody

Five children were committed to the care and custody of Family and Children's Services of Annapolis County during the fiscal year. Twelve left the agency's care and custody, 10 because of reaching the age of majority, one through adoption, and one through marriage. The fiscal year ended with 43 children in care and custody.

Adoption Services

Only two children were placed in adoption homes by the agency during the 1988/89 fiscal year, although the number of inquiries remains up. Twelve private adoptions were initiated.

Post-adoption inquiries are ever-increasing, with 15 being dealt with this past year.

Services to Unmarried Mothers

During 1988-89 the agency received three new unmarried-mother referrals. Two of these mothers placed their children for adoption. In addition to personal counselling, the agency provides information regarding financial programs, legal services, community and mental health services, accommodations, and educational and rehabilitative services for these mothers.

Foster Care

The agency has employed the services of a foster care worker for varying periods of time over the past several years. This person assesses new applications and evaluates existing ones.

Twenty foster care inquiries came to the attention of the foster care worker this year, eight of which provided families that have subsequently become approved foster homes.

At year-end the agency had a total of 30 foster homes available, some of which have children now but are willing and able to accommodate more.

The foster home worker maintains an ongoing relationship with the foster family in an attempt to provide necessary emotional support and to keep the lines of communication open, with the hope of preventing unnecessary foster placement breakdowns.

Marriage and Family Counselling

During this past year the marriage and family counsellor position was increased to full-time. A total of 46 new referrals were received, 17 of these being self-referrals and 13 from other agency staff. The marriage and family counsellor continues to work with the local Sexual Abuse Survivors Anonymous (SASA) group and participates as a member of other committees and community groups in her capacity as marriage and family counsellor.

Family Skills Program

In the fall of 1988 the family skills position was created to provide teaching guidance and support in the development of life skills. Budgeting, parenting, safety, nutrition, hygiene, housing and employment are issues that are frequently addressed.

A total of 25 referrals were received from late November 1988 to the end of March 1989. Referrals of agency staff take precedence over others, but Family Benefits workers, Municipal Social Services, the mental health clinic, school personnel, physicians and the public also refer clients.

Homemakers Services

Homemakers Servivces in Annapolis County began the move towards coordinated home care during 1988-89. A home care assessor was hired late in the year, and the Coordinated Home Care Program was begun on March 28, 1989. Demand for homemakers and nursing services has dramatically increased since that time. In 1988-89, 9,890.5 direct hours of service were provided to 192 clients. It will take a year or more to determine the full effect of the new home care program.

Table 36

Regional and District Offices and the Family Court

By County

CAPE BRETON REGION — Cape Breton, Richmond, Victoria and Inverness counties
Regional Office — Sydney
District Office — Port Hawkesbury
Sub-Offices — New Waterford, North Sydney, Whitney Pier
Family Court — Sydney (serving the Cape Breton Region)

NORTH SHORE REGION — Antigonish, Guysborough and Pictou counties
Regional Office — New Glasgow
District Offices — Antigonish, Guysborough
Family Court — New Glasgow (serving Antigonish, Guysborough and Pictou counties)

HALIFAX REGION — Halifax County
Regional Office — Halifax
District Offices — Dartmouth, Sackville
Family Courts — Halifax (serving City of Halifax and part of Halifax County)
— Dartmouth (serving City of Dartmouth and part of Halifax County)

VALLEY REGION — Kings and Hants counties
Regional Office — Kentville
District Office — Windsor
Family Court — Kentville (serving the Valley Region)

WESTERN REGION — Annapolis, Digby and Yarmouth counties
Regional Office — Yarmouth
District Offices — Digby, Annapolis Royal
Family Court — Yarmouth (serving the Western Region)

CENTRAL REGION — Colchester and Cumblerland counties
Regional Office — Truro
District Office — Amherst
Sub-Office — Springhill
Family Court — Amherst (serving Cumberland County)
— Truro (serving Colchester County)

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(Table 36 continued)

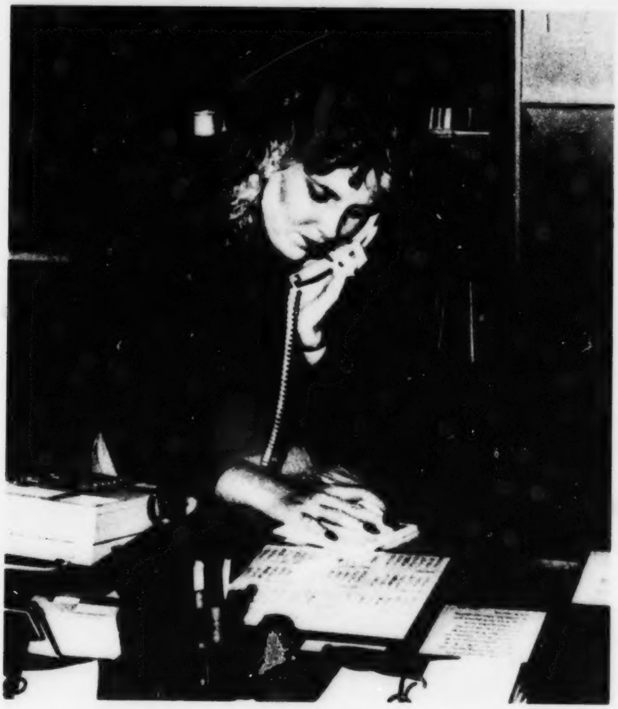
SOUTH SHORE REGION — Lunenburg, Queens and Shelburne counties
Regional Office — Liverpool
District Offices — Bridgewater, Barrington
Family Court — Lunenburg (serving South Shore Region)

Table 37

Personnel in the Seven Regions

March 31, 1989

	Cape Breton	Valley	Halifax	North Shore	Western	Central	South Shore	Total
Regional Administrators	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Assistant Regional Administrators	1	—	—	—	1	—	—	2
District Supervisors	1	1	2	2	2	1	2	11
Casework Supervisors	2	2	6	2	1	1	—	14
Supervisors of Family Benefits Program	1	—	1	1	—	—	—	3
Supervisors of the Family Court	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	2
Senior Family Court Officers	1	—	2	—	—	—	—	3
Field Staff	39	17	80	24	21	17	15	213
Clerical Staff	25	11	41	18	11	9	10	125
Total Field Staff								380



Mrs. Mary Ann Selig, Secretary, Field Services and Personnel Division

Financial Services Division

Arnold R. Jones, Director

Fiscal Planning and Control

Clem Hennebury, B.Comm., Coordinator

The Coordinator is responsible for preparing the departmental budget and supervising its control throughout the year. Over recent years, budget preparation has become more complex; as a result, the Coordinator is responsible for training the line managers on all aspects of budget preparation and control.

Data Verification and Accounting

Roger Angevine, Supervisor

The Supervisor is responsible for developing and maintaining acceptable accounting procedures for the entire Department and for maintaining a constant review of the Department of Finance's computer programs to ensure that the most current and accurate expenditure information is available to senior management and all budget subject managers.

Claims, Contracts and Data Processing

George Collier, Supervisor

The Supervisor is responsible for the preparation of all claims for cost-sharing with the Government of Canada. This Section is also responsible for the data entry of all expenditure and recovery items into the Department of Finance's computer, and for the production of monthly and special financial reports.

Administrative Services

Roger Whitman, Supervisor

The Supervisor is responsible for account and bank reconciliations, purchasing, inventory, equipment maintenance, incoming and outgoing mail, and the financial aspects of the three programs for senior citizens.

Financial Coordinator, Homes for Special Care

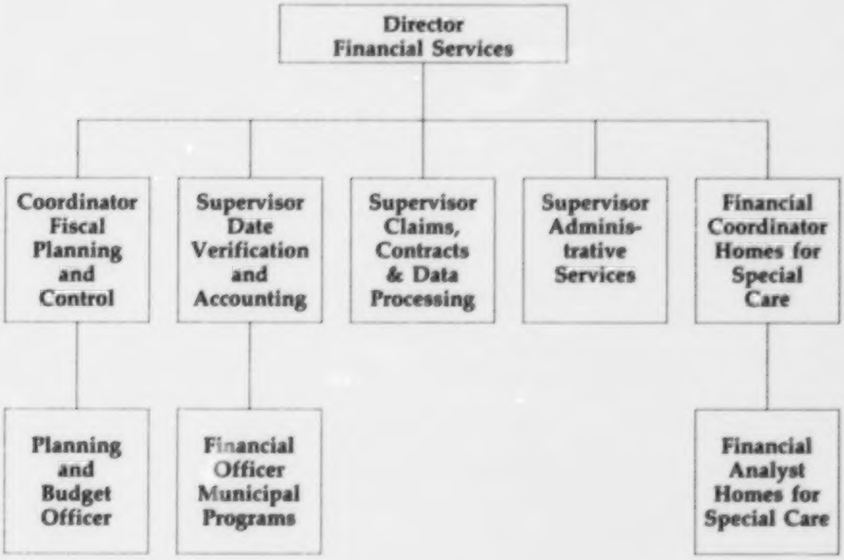
Brenda Murray, B.Comm., Coordinator

The Coordinator is responsible for the financial analysis necessary to establish a reasonable shareable per diem rate for all Homes for Special Care. At present there are more than 220 such Homes.

Mr. Gary Greenough, Financial Officer, Municipal Programs (seated); Mr. Bob Gilliatt, Chief Clerk; Ms. Ruth Colbourne, Secretary; and Ms. Joan Frizzell, Claims Clerk

ORGANIZATION CHART: FINANCIAL SERVICES DIVISION

March 1989


Director Financial Services
Coordinator Fiscal Planning and Control
Supervisor Date Verification and Accounting
Supervisor Claims, Contracts & Data Processing
Supervisor Administrative Services
Financial Coordinator Homes for Special Care
Planning and Budget Officer
Financial Officer Municipal Programs
Financial Analyst Homes for Special Care

The Financial Services Division provides the financial support services for the entire Department.

Financial Expenditures, 1988-89

Administration

HEAD OFFICE	
Senior Management	496,264
Senior Citizens' Secretariat	1,104,320
Family Court — Judicial	1,743,671
Direct Grants	2,164,067
Audit Services	352,918
Financial Services	2,050,989
Appeal Services	191,872
Staff Training	164,041
Total	8,268,142
HOME CARE	
Administration	680,664
Homemakers Services	5,268,737
Total	5,949,401
FIELD SERVICES — HEAD OFFICE	
Administration	338,740
Psychological Services	199,049
Total	537,789
FIELD SERVICES — FIELD OFFICES	
Administration	2,599,511
Rehabilitation Services	909,931
Family Benefits	3,107,006
Community Services	258,178
Municipal Contracts	1,276,113
Family Court Services	3,975,885
Children's Services	2,132,839
Day Care Services	80,140
Total	14,339,603
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	29,094,935

Family and Children's Services

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Administration	863,746
Maintenance — Foster Homes	4,205,837
Maintenance — Community Residential Facilities	3,186,421
Apprehension Costs	893,112
Voluntary Care	1,114,557
Payments to Children's Service Agencies	7,435,687
Payments to Private Agencies for Unmarried Mothers	626,387
Payments to Transition and Safe Houses	987,465
Early Intervention	152,346
Total	19,465,558

DAY CARE SERVICES

Administration	315,697
Payments to Child Development Centres	197,936
Day Care Subsidy	6,958,447
Total	7,472,080

NOVA SCOTIA RESIDENTIAL CENTRE

Administration	343,588
Operating and Maintenance	375,062
Academic/Vocational and Social Services	328,962
Daily Living Programs	963,093
Total	2,010,705

TOTAL FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES	28,948,343

Rehabilition and Community Services

SERVICES FOR THE HANDICAPPED

Administration	678,890
Maintenance — Foster Homes	292,866
Adult Protection Services	262,282
Total	1,234,038

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Administration	163,098
Summer Programs	622,173
Total	785,271

REHABILITATION SERVICES

Administration	444,394
Payments to Rehabilitation Workshops	3,610,216
Payments to Work Activity Projects	1,432,872
Total	5,487,482

NOVA SCOTIA YOUTH TRAINING CENTRE

Administration	664,424
Operating and Maintenance	917,930
Daily Living Programs	1,868,808
Academic/Vocational and Social Services	893,786
Total	4,344,948

CHILDREN'S TRAINING CENTRES

Administration	1,093,675
Daily Living	2,620,460
Operating and Maintenance	1,255,504
Total	4,969,659

TOTAL REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	16,821,398

Young Offenders Administration

YOUNG OFFENDERS PROGRAMS

Administration	734,248
Maintenance of Children	414,811
Total	1,149,059

SHELBURNE YOUTH CENTRE

Administration	737,638
Operating and Maintenance	850,717
Academic/Vocational and Social Services	617,063
Daily Living Programs	1,662,659
Total	3,868,077

TOTAL YOUNG OFFENDERS ADMINISTRATION	5,017,136

Public Assistance

MUNICIPAL SOCIAL SERVICES

Administration	583,961
Payments for General Assistance	40,181,059
Payments for Residential Care Facilities	2,432,489
Payments for Nursing Homes	13,727,714
Payments for Homes for the Aged	21,859,349
Payments for Group Homes and Developmental Residences	3,709,824
Payments for Adult Residential Centres	7,339,533
Payments for Regional Rehabilitation Centres	14,657,628
Construction Assistance — Homes for Special Care	53,125
Payments for Municipal Administration	6,773,629
Payments for Civil/Family Legal Aid	1,430,100
Total	112,748,411

FAMILY BENEFITS

Administration	610,134
Family Benefits Review Board	75,091
Family Benefits Payments	139,315,326
Diabetic Assistance	331,184
Pharmacare Program	9,320,796
Total	149,652,531

SENIOR CITIZENS FINANCIAL AID

Administration	317,442
Rental Assistance for Senior Citizens	1,232,355
Property Tax Rebate for Senior Citizens	3,853,194
Special Social Assistance Payments	10,357,384
Total	15,760,375

TOTAL PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	278,161,317

Other Social Services

POLICY PLANNING AND RESEARCH

Administration	524,072
Research Projects	122,649
Total	646,721

DATA PROCESSING SERVICES

Administration	637,199
Data Processing	2,483,719
Total	3,120,918

INDIAN AFFAIRS	(5,917)
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SERVICES — DESIGN	993,186
NOVA SCOTIA SOCIAL SERVICES COUNCIL	21,472
NOVA SCOTIA SENIOR CITIZENS' COMMISSION	40,490
TOTAL OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES	4,990,091
Total Department	363,033,220

Ordinary Recovery Detail

ADMINISTRATION	
Government of Canada	9,423,766
Municipalities	371,094
Other	313,613
Total	10,108,473
FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES	
Government of Canada	15,488,522
Municipalities	559,565
Other Provinces	123,172
Total	16,171,259
REHABILITATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES	
Government of Canada	8,421,547
Municipalities	194,247
Total	8,615,794
YOUNG OFFENDERS ADMINISTRATION	
Government of Canada	3,002,414
Other Provinces	70,834
Total	3,073,248
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE	
Government of Canada	112,748,262
OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES	
Government of Canada	2,309,114
TOTAL ORDINARY RECOVERIES	153,026,150

Staff of the Audit Services Division

Mr. Don Johnson, Inventory Control Services

Community Services

Audit Services Division

G.W. Hudson, C.A., B.B.A., Director

The Audit Services Division is responsible for providing assistance to departmental personnel to ensure that public funds are expended with due regard to economy and efficiency. This responsibility is discharged by applying traditional auditing techniques to the accounting and operating records generated by departmental personnel and preparing reports to the responsible managers and the Deputy Minister with findings and recommendations.

These auditing techniques are also used to determine whether or not funds provided to Homes for Special Care, municipal units and other agencies are in accordance with applicable legislation and agreements. Reports arising from these audits are provided to responsible program personnel and the Deputy Minister. The Division conducts audits at Head Office and at field and agency offices throughout the province. Five auditors and one support person assist the Supervisor and Director of the Audit Services Division in the conduct of these audits.

During fiscal 1988/89 the Division issued over 200 audit reports, covering the gamut of departmental programs.

This year the Division initiated two new audit programs. One was for audits of sponsoring organizations providing job training and experience to social assistance recipients. The other was for extended scope audits of individual Homes for Special Care throughout the province and included analyses of internal controls, rate-setting and claiming systems for cost recovery.

A statistical summary of the audit reports produced in fiscal 1988/89 is as follows:

	No. of Audits	**Audit Time (Days)**
Adult service centres/workshops	28	103
Children's aid societies	13	159
Day care centres	6	29
Family Benefits	23	148
Family Courts	10	52
Grants	6	25
Homemakers	43	90
Homes for Special Care	11	27
Municipal assistance programs	31	93
SARS programs	8	24
Trust accounts — Homes for Special Care	20	61
Other	11	27
Total	203	927

The financial and systems expertise acquired by the staff of the Division is utilized by the Department in matters not directly related to audits, examples of which follow:

- The Director is continuing to serve on the project steering and working committees of the Family Court computerization project and on a subcommittee of the Joint Review Committee considering the revision of policy for rate setting for Homes for Special Care.
- The Supervisor is a member of the board of the Preston Area Housing Fund and serves as its treasurer and chief financial officer.
- The Supervisor also served on a committee established to develop a detailed plan and schedule for a pilot project to assess electronic fund transfers as an alternative method of payment for Family Benefits recipients.

Community Services

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Sheila Keizer	Secretary to the Minister
Yvelle Poirier	Secretary
Doris Holland	Secretary to the Deputy Minister
Patricia Ripley, Ph.D.	Special Assistant to the Deputy Minister
Martha Crowe, B.A., L.L.B.	Administrative Officer
Mike Johnston	Supervisor, Appeals Program

Family and Children's Services Division

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Gregory Bowers, M.S.W.	Supervisor, Young Offender and Court Services
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Joanne Coffin, B.C.S.	Program Specialist, Day Care
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Coordinated Home Care Division

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Mary Ledwell, B.S.W.	Regional Home Care Coordinator, Valley Region
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Family Benefits Division

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Rehabilitation and Community Services Division

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Annapolis Royal, N.S. B0S 1A0

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Executive Director	Cyril Reddy
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Liverpool, N.S. B0T 1K0

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President	Chief Lawrence Paul

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Towns

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Bedford	Ed Mason Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 300 Armdale, N.S. B3L 4K3
Berwick	Henry Bourgeois Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, N.S. B4N 3W3
Bridgetown	Brian Taylor Director	P.O. Box 100 Municipal Administration Building Annapolis Royal, N.S. B0S 1A0
Bridgewater	James Kenny Acting District Supervisor	Lunenburg District Office Suite 105, 99 High Street Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 1V8
Canso	Harold M. Roberts District Supervisor	P.O. Box 90 Guysborough, N.S. B0H 1N0
Clarks Harbour	Raymond G. Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0
Digby	Greg Wiseman District Supervisor	Digby District Office P.O. Box 399 Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0

Dominion	Greg MacKenzie Director of Social Services	271 Kings Road Dominion, N.S. B0A 1E0
Glace Bay	Greg MacKenzie Director of Social Services	R.R. #1 Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 5T9
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Kentville	Henry Bourgeois Director of Social Services	P.O. Box 100 Kentville, N.S. B4N 3W3
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Lockeport	Raymond G. Harris District Supervisor	Shelburne District Office P.O. Box 9 Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0
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Truro	Harvey MacArthur Executive Director	P.O. Box 950 Truro, N.S. B2N 5G7
Westville	Cyril Reddy Regional Administrator	North Shore Regional Office P.O. Box 488 New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5E5
Windsor	Wendy Trull District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0
Wolfville	Wendy Trull District Supervisor	P.O. Box 2350 Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0
Yarmouth	Mike Kendrick Acting Regional Administrator	Western Regional Office P.O. Box 460 Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4B5

Municipalities

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Homes for Special Care

Residential Care Facilities

Annapolis County

	capacity
Nightingale Rest Home Mrs. Margaret Gallant P.O. Box 77 Granville Ferry, N.S. B0S 1K0	9
Grace Haven Mrs. Eileen Frost R.R. #4, Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0	15
The Willows Mrs. Prudence Bathurst R.R. #1, Wilmot, N.S. B0P 1W0	7

	capacity
Saunders Rest Home Mrs. James Saunders P.O. Box 114 Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0	8
Wallasey Place Mr. & Mrs. Randy White R.R. #2, Annapolis Royal, N.S. B0S 1A0	9
Sun Valley Gardens Mrs. Marion Oickle P.O. Box 519 Kingston, N.S. B0P 1R0	18

Antigonish County

Highland Crest Home Mrs. Martha MacNeil 44 Hillcrest Street Antigonish, N.S. B2G 2B5	40

Cape Breton Island

	capacity
Mayfair Guest Home Mrs. Dorothy Dunphy 37 George Street Sydney, N.S. B1A 4Y7	11
MacLeod's Boarding Home Miss Jean MacLeod P.O. Box 153 2 Williams Street Donkin, N.S. B0A 1G0	6
Victoria Haven Mr. William MacLeod 429 Third Street Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 4G6	20
Jones Rest Home Mrs. Jeanette Jones 1 Minto Street Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 5B2	7
John A. Carmichael Rest Home Mrs. Erma Carmichael 66 Queen Street North Sydney, N.S. B2A 1A3	11
New Dawn Guest House Miss Marie MacPhee 141 Dominion Street P.O. Box 1055 Sydney, N.S. 21N 2V4	27
Terrace Manor Mrs. John MacAulay 208 South Street Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 1W1	21
Robertson House Mrs. Lorraine Robertson P.O. Box 83 Margaree Valley, N.S. B0E 2C0	11
Midtown Villa Mrs. Elizabeth Blanchard 2465 Plummer Avenue New Waterford, N.S. B1H 1Z5	15
Heritage House Mr. & Mrs. E. Robertson P.O. Box 81 Port Hood, N.S. B0E 2W0	11
MacNabb's Boarding Home Mrs. Agnes MacNabb 35 Commercial Street Dominion, N.S. B0A 1E0	5

Colchester County

	capacity
Townsview Estates Mr. C. Dale P.O. Box 1825 Truro, N.S. B2N 5Z5	85
Karlaine Place Mrs. Bernice Barnhill P.O. Box 691 Truro, N.S. B2N 5E5	8
MacNeil's Rest Home Mrs. John MacNeil Great Village, N.S. B0M 1L0	13
Cunningham's Rest Home Mrs. Valerie Cunningham P.O. Box 1145 Blair Avenue Tatamagouche, N.S. B0K 1V0	17

capacity

Elmwood Manor 14
Ms. Germaine Melanson
Stewiake, N.S.
B0N 2J0

Westside Villa 26
Mr. C. Dale
421 Prince Street
Truro, N.S.
B2N 1E6

Cumberland County

Sunrise Manor 20
Mrs. Anne C. Wilson
West Pugwash, N.S.
B0M 1L0

Hyland Rest Homes Ltd. 39
Mr. Walter Jones
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Church Street Manor 6
Ms. Denise Hunter
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Four Seasons Manor 28
Mr. Herbert Hochhold
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Advocate Manor 22
Mr. Al Quigly
Advocate, N.S.
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Shady Rest Estates 24
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Victoria Manor 50
Mrs. Audrey Goldrich
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Digby County

Sissiboo Rest Home 11
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R.R. #4, Sissiboo Road
Weymouth Mills, N.S.
B0W 3T0

La Maison au Coucher du Soleil 24
Mrs. Blanche Gaudet
Saulnierville, N.S.
B0W 2Z0

Halifax City and County

Eastern Shore Guest Home 12
Ms. Glenda Armsworthy Wilson
Musquodoboit Harbour, N.S.
B0J 2L0

Lynden Rest Home 19
Mrs. Deborah Morgan-Downey
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B3H 2E8

Nantucket Hall 26
Mrs. Marlene Webber
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Dartmouth, N.S.
B3A 1B7

Twin Maples Villa 38
Mrs. Phyllis Hardy
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B2Y 3S4

	capacity
Southwood Villa Mrs. Deborah Morgan-Downey 153 Pleasant Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3P8	20
Haven Manor Ms. Hilda Stevens 6411 Coburg Road Halifax, N.S. B3H 2A6	15
Woodside Manor Mrs. B.J. Robb 351 Pleasant Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3S4	29
Harbour Glen Manor Mrs. Deborah Morgan-Downey 229 Pleasant Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3R5	17
Blue Dolphin Foster Villa Mr. Allan James Musquodoboit Harbour, N.S. B0J 2L0	10
Hilltop Villa Mr. C. Dorey 200 Main Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2X 1S3	11
Freeman's Rest Home Mrs. Daisy Freeman 779 Old Sackville Road Lower Sackville, N.S. B3J 2R7	17

Hants County

	capacity
Avonview Rest Home Mr. & Mrs. James Walsh P.O. Box 130 Newport, N.S. B0N 2K0	16
Bennett's Rest Home Mrs. Claire Bennett P.O. Box 37 Shubenacadie, N.S. B0N 2H0	7
White's Rest Home Mrs. H. White R.R. #2, Kennetcook, N.S. B0N 1P0	6

Kings County

	capacity
Wedgewood House Mrs. P. Healy 19 Leverett Avenue Kentville, N.S. B4N 2K5	8
Seyforth's Boarding Home Ms. Barbara Walsh R.R. #1, Berwick (Morristown), N.S. B0P 1E0	30
Wolfville Elms Mrs. Diana J. MacDonald P.O. Box 16 413 Main Street Wolfville, N.S. B0P 1X0	18
Hirtle's Rest Home Mr. & Mrs. W. Hirtle P.O. Box 84 255 Commercial Street Berwick, N.S. B0P 1E0	16

	capacity
Eldridge's Rest Home Mrs. Judy Eldridge R.R. #1, Berwick, N.S. BOP 1E0	25
Hirtle's Rest Home Mr. & Mrs. W. Hirtle Aylesford, N.S. BOP 1C0	26
Seyforth's Rest Home Mrs. Barbara Seyforth P.O. Box 129 120 Foster Street Berwick, N.S. BOP 1E0	26

Lunenburg County

	capacity
Pleasant Rest Home Mr. David Walker 45 Pleasant Street Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 1M9	22
Lohnes Rest Home Mrs. Rita Lohnes R.R. #1, Barss Corner, N.S. BOR 1A0	9

Pictou County

	capacity
Sunset Haven Home Mrs. Rita MacIsaac 253 Forbes Street New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 4P5	40
Sunset Haven Annex Mrs. Rita MacIsaac 253 Forbes Street New Glasgow, N.S. B3H 4P5	9
Shady Oaks Rest Home Mr. Larry Brezenski R.R. #2, Union Centre Westville, N.S. BOK 2A0	12

Queens County

	capacity
Hillsview Acres Mr. Raymond Fiske Middlefield, N.S. BOT 1K0	28

Shelburne County

	capacity
Harbour View Rest Home Ms. Margaret Coates P.O. Box 11, Crest Street Lockeport, N.S. BOT 1L0	12
Abide-A-While Mrs. Carol Oxner P.O. Box 1142 Shelburne, N.S. BOT 1W0	12

Yarmouth County

capacity

Point du Marais Boarding Home 10
Mrs. Joan d'Entremont
Box 236
Lower West Pubnico, N.S
B0W 2C0

capacity

Glo Estates 10
Mrs. Hazel Olson
36 Grove Road
Yarmouth, N.S.
B5A 4J7

Group Homes and Developmental Residences

Antigonish County

L'Arche Group Home 6
Mr. Derek Simon
69 St. Ninian Street
Antigonish, N.S.
B2G 1Y7

Cape Breton Island

880 George Street 7
Developmental Residence
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
880 George Street
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 1M1

Union Street Group Home 9
Ms. Jane Crawley
30 Union Street
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 4X5

MacDonald Hall Group Home 13
Mr. David MacIver
P.O. Box 220
Inverness, N.S.
B0E 1N0

70 George Street Group Home 10
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
70 George Street
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 1H7

Chemoi Group Home 8
Mr. Wilfred Boudreau
P.O. Box 366
Cheticamp, N.S. B0E 1H0

Clyde Avenue 7
Developmental Residence
Resi-Care (C.B.) Assoc.
Mr. Mike Walsh
11 Clyde Avenue
Sydney Mines, N.S.
B1V 2E3

Waycobah House 5
Developmental Residence
Mr. Tom Gunn
R.R. #1, Orangedale, N.S.
B0E 2K0

Byng Avenue Group Home 9
Ms. Jane Crawley
93 Byng Avenue
Sydney, N.S.
B1P 5C1

Unity House Group Home 7
Mr. Al Ross
General Delivery
East Bay, N.S.
B0A 1H0

Corinthian House Group Home 7
Mr. Tom Gunn
R.R. #1, Orangedale, N.S.
B0E 2K0

Colchester County *capacity*

McCully House Group Home 8
Mr. Ron Fielding
82 Lorne Street
Truro, N.S.
B2N 3K3

Cumberland County

Rupert House 8
Mr. Ed Thibodeau
1 Rupert Street
Amherst, N.S.
B4H 3R2

Digby County

Maison Jerome Group Home 8
Sister Pauline Armstrong
P.O. Box 119
Church Point, N.S.
B0W 1N0

Halifax County

Abbott Drive Developmental Residence 9
Mrs. Bev Wicks
7097-7099 Abbott Drive
Halifax, N.S.
B3L 2L5

Gottingen Street Group Home 9
Ms. Carol Evans
2690 Gottingen Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3K 3C7

Hawthorne Street Group Home 8
Mrs. Bev Wicks
63 Hawthorne Street
Dartmouth, N.S.
B2Y 2Y7

Oxford Street Group Home 12
Mrs. Bev Wicks
1615 Oxford Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 3Z7

capacity

MacDougall Avenue Developmental Residence 7
Mrs. Bev Wicks
30 MacDougall Drive
Lower Sackville, N.S.
B4C 3E7

Victoria Road Group Home 10
Ms. Carol Evans
70 Victoria Road
Dartmouth, N.S.
B3A 1T8

Basinview Drive Developmental Residence 8
Mrs. Bev Wicks
3838 Basinview Drive
Halifax, N.S.
B3K 5A2

Vernon Street Group Home 8
Mrs. Bev Wicks
1648 Vernon Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 3N1

	capacity
Pleasant Street Developmental Residence Mrs. Bev Wicks 105 Pleasant Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3P7	8
Joseph Howe Drive Group Home Ms. Carol Evans 3235-3241 Joseph Howe Drive Halifax, N.S. B3L 4H3	8
Homes for Independent Living Mrs. Linda Branner 2505 Oxford Street Halifax, N.S. B3L 2T5	6
Robert Allen Drive Developmental Residence Mrs. Bev Wicks 31 Robert Allen Drive Halifax, N.S. B3M 3G9	7

Hants County

	capacity
Kings Meadows Group Home Mrs. Barbara Campbell R.R. #1 Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0	10
Lantz Group Home Mr. Robin C. Strickland P.O. Box 175 Lantz, N.S. B0N 1R0	8

Kings County

	capacity
Kentville Group Home Mr. Derek Vernest 14 Oakdene Terrace Kentville, N.S. B4N 1E5	8
Wolfville Developmental Residence Mr. Derek Vernest 462 Main Street Wolfville, N.S. B0P 1X0	11

Lunenburg County

	capacity
LaHave Manor Group Home Mrs. Carolyn Mossman 58 Alexandra Avenue Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 1H1	9
Bonny Lea Farm Ms. Marilee Howlett P.O. Box 560, Windsor Road Chester, N.S. B0J 1J0	24

Pictou County

	capacity
Temperance Street Developmental Residence Mrs. Linda Boucher 304 Temperance Street New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 3B5	8
Foord Street Group Home Mrs. Linda Boucher 100 N. Foord Street, Stellarton c/o 304 Temperance Street New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 3B5	8

Licensed Nursing Homes

Annapolis County

capacity

Northhills Nursing Home 50
Mr. Ken Young
Granville Ferry, N.S.
B0S 1A0

capacity

Annapolis Royal 43
Nursing Home
Mrs. Florence Wolfe
St. George Street
Annapolis Royal, N.S.
B0S 1A0

Cape Breton Island

Breton Bay Nursing Home 264
Mr. Bob Fougere
70 St. Anthony Drive
Sydney, N.S.
B1S 2R5

Victoria Haven Nursing Home 23
Mr. William MacLeod
429A Third Street
Glace Bay, N.S.
B1A 4G6

MacGillivray Guest Home 74
Mr. Jack Coffey
25 Xavier Drive
Sydney, N.S.
B1S 2R9

Colchester County

Glenview Lodge 48
Mr. Charles Dale
East Prince Street
Truro, N.S.
B2N 5B2

Hillcrest Manors Ltd. 119
Mrs. Carol MacMillan
P.O. Box 1210, Manor Drive
Truro, N.S.
B2N 5H1

Cumberland County

MacAloney's Nursing Home 38
Mr. A.J. MacAloney
P.O. Box 2170, 17 McFarlane Street
Springhill, N.S.
B0M 1X0

Gables Lodge 95
Mr. & Mrs. Syed Hussain
252 Church Street
Amherst, N.S.
B4H 3B3

Guysborough County

MacKaracher's Nursing Home 30
Mrs. Audrey Taylor
Sherbrooke, N.S.
B0J 3C0

Halifax City and County *capacity*

Glades Lodge 123
Mrs. Jan White
25 Alton Drive
Armdale, N.S.
B3N 1M1

Fairview Villa 207
Mr. R. Grabowski
245 Main Avenue
Fairview, N.S.
B3M 1B7

Colonial Nursing Home 24
Mrs. Deborah Morgan-Downey
1019 Lucknow Street
Halifax, N.S.
B3H 2T2

capacity

Park Haven Estates 247
Ms. Kristin MacIntyre
126 Purcell's Cove Road
Halifax, N.S.
B3P 1B5

Scotia Nursing Home 45
Mr. Glen Griffin
R.R. #1, Beaverbank, N.S.
B0N 1A0

Melville Lodge 100
Mr. Syed Hussain
50 Shoreham Lane
Halifax, N.S.
B3P 2R3

Kings County

Wolfville Nursing Home 66
Mrs. Diana J. MacDonald
Comp C5, Site 11, R.R. #2
346 Main Street
Wolfville, N.S.
B0P 1X0

Palmeter's Country Home 97
Mr. Larry Knowles
655 Park Street
Kentville, N.S.
B4N 3V7

Lunenburg County

Mahone Nursing Home 35
Ms. Anne Kennedy
P.O. Box 320
Mahone Bay, N.S.
B0J 2E0

Pictou County

Edward Mortimer Place 77
Ms. Katherine Sullivan
P.O. Box 250
Haliburton Road
Pictou, N.S.
B0K 1H0

Blue Extension 17
Ms. Katherine Sullivan
P.O. Box 250
Haliburton Road
Pictou, N.S.
B0K 1H0

Queens County

	capacity	*capacity*
North Queens Nursing Home Mr. Gerald Lohns P.O. Box 181 Caledonia, N.S. B0T 1B0	42	

Shelburne County

Surf Lodge Nursing Home Ms. Margaret Coates P.O. Box 160 Lockeport, N.S. B0T 1L0	26

Yarmouth County

Villa St. Joseph du Lac Sister Estelle Arsenault R.R. #1 P.O. Box 810, Lakeside Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4A5	79

Municipally Operated Homes for the Aged

Annapolis County

Mountain Lea Lodge Mr. Larry Marsters R.R. #1, Church Street Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0	106

Antigonish County

R.K. MacDonald Guest Home Mrs. Evelyn Lindsay 64 Pleasant Street Antigonish, N.S. B2G 1W7	106

Cape Breton Island	capacity		capacity
Alderwood Home for the Aged Mrs. Marcella Roberts P.O. Box 218 Baddeck, N.S. B0E 1B0	69	Richmond Villa Miss Isabelle Johnston P.O. Box 250 St. Peters, N.S. B0E 3B0	75
Seaview Manor Mr. Dan Munroe 275 South Street Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 1W6	101	Foyer Pere Fiset Mrs. Lorraine Aucoin Cheticamp, N.S. B0E 1H0	60
Inverary Manor Mrs. Joan MacLellan Box 460, Maple Street Inverness, N.S. B0E 1N0	60	Highland Manor Mrs. Donna Rideout Neils Harbour, N.S. B0C 1N0	20

Cumberland County

East Cumberland Lodge Ms. Brenda Benjamin P.O. Box 250 Pugwash, N.S. B0K 1L0	65		

Digby County

Tideview Terrace Mr. Gary Burlingham P.O. Box 1120 Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0	80	Villa Acadienne Mr. Henry Saulnier P.O. Box 178 Meteghan, N.S. B0W 2K0	72

Guysborough County

Canso Seaside Manor Ms. Mary-Jurcena Taylor Canso, N.S. B0H 1H0	15	Milford Haven Betty Richard P.O. Box 300 Guysborough, N.S. B0H 1N0	50

Halifax County

Ocean View Manor Mr. John Morrison Box 130 Eastern Passage Halifax, N.S. B0J 1L0	182		

Hants County	*capacity*		*capacity*
Dykeland Lodge Mr. W. Robert Brooks Curry's Corner Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0	75		
Kings County			
Grand View Manor Mr. Richard E. Wagner P.O. Box 309 Berwick, N.S. B0P 1E0	118		
Lunenburg County			
Harbour View Haven Mr. G.W. Crouse P.O. Box 1480 Blockhouse Hill Road Lunenburg, N.S. B0J 2C0	127		
Pictou County			
Glen Haven Manor Mr. James Ferguson 739 East River Road New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 5E9	212	Valley View Villa Mr. David Lank R.R. #1, Riverton, N.S. B0K 2S0	96
Queens County			
Queens Manor Mr. Brian Selig P.O. Box 1283 Liverpool, N.S. B0T 1K0	60		
Shelburne County			
Roseway Manor Ms. Jean Cox-Mahaney Box 518 Sandy Point, N.S. B0T 1W0	65		

Privately Operated Homes for the Aged

Cape Breton Island

	capacity
The Cove Mr. Alfred Matheson Kings Road Sydney, N.S. B1S 1B9	108
Maple Hill Manor Mrs. Maryena Yurczyszyn 700 King Street New Waterford, N.S. B1H 3Z5	50
Northside Community Guest Home for the Aged Mrs. Lucy MacEachern 11 Queen Street North Sydney, N.S. B2A 1A2	90

Colchester County

	capacity
Willow Lodge Mr. Douglas Cunningham Blair Avenue Tatamagouche, N.S. B0K 1V0	51

Halifax County

	capacity
Northwood Complex Mr. Lloyd Brown 2630 Gottingen Street Halifax, N.S. B3K 3C6	600
The Birches Mrs. Janet Crowell Musquodoboit Harbour, N.S. B0J 2L0	40
St. Vincent Guest Home Mr. Eric Duggan 2080 Windsor Street Halifax, N.S. B3K 5B1	162
Oakwood Terrace Mr. Winston Clarke 10 Mount Hope Avenue Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 4K1	111
Duncan MacMillan Home Mrs. Maxine Thibault Sheet Harbour, N.S. B0J 3B0	25

Hants County

	capacity
Windsor Elms Mr. Donald Reid 590 King Street Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0	120
Freemason's Home Mr. Reginald Stone 558 Wentworth St. Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0	60

Lunenburg County *capacity*

Hillside Pines 50
Ms. Sheila MacKinnon
77 Exhibition Avenue
Bridgewater, N.S.
B4B 3K6

Rosedale Home 29
Mrs. Dorothy Cahoon
P.O. Box 8
New Germany, N.S.
B0R 1E0

capacity

Shoreham Village 82
Ms. Katherine R. Campbell
P.O. Box 380
Chester, N.S.
B0J 1J0

Pictou County

I.O.O.F. Home 41
Ms. Janet Johnston
P.O. Box 850
Pictou, N.S.
B0K 1HO

Yarmouth County

Tidal View Manor 103
Mr. J.G. McEachern
60 Vancouver Street
Yarmouth, N.S.
B5A 2P5

Specialized Institutional Facilities for the Mentally Handicapped

Adult Residential Centres

Annapolis County

Annapolis Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 33
Ms. Patricia MacDougall, Administrator
P.O. Box 548
Bridgetown, N.S. B0S 1C0

Cape Breton Island

Braemore Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 70
Miss C. MacIntyre, Administrator
P.O. Box 515
Sydney River, N.S. B1P 6H4

capacity

Mary's Hill Adult Residential Centre (privately operated) 46
Mrs. Joan MacLellan, Administrator
P.O. Box 50
Mabou, N.S. B0E 1X0

Cumberland County

Sunset Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 135
Mr. Dennis Brown, Administrator
P.O. Box 130
South Pugwash, N.S. B0K 1L0

Halifax County

Scotia Adult Residential Centre (privately operated) 165
Mr. Glen Griffin, Administrator
Beaverbank, N.S. B0N 1A0

Kings County

Kings County Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 43
Mr. Keith Menzies
Waterville, N.S. B0P 1V0

Lunenburg County

LaHave Manor Corp. Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 65
Mr. Leslie Mason
P.O. Box 270
Dayspring, Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2W9

Pictou County

Pictou County Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 98
Mrs. Susan Curley, Administrator
R.R. #1, Stellarton, N.S. B0K 1S0

Shelburne County

Bayside Adult Residential Centre (municipally operated) 30
Mrs. Joanne Rose, Administrator
Barrington, N.S. B0W 1E0

Yarmouth County

Harbourside Lodge (privately operated) 64
Mr. J.G. McEachern, Administrator
Vancouver Street
Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 2P5

Regional Rehabilitation Centres

Cape Breton Island	*capacity*
Braemore Regional Rehabilitation Centre Ms. Melba Holm, Acting Administrator P.O. Box 515 Sydney River, N.S. B1P 6H4	60

Halifax County

Halifax County Regional Rehabilitation Centre Mrs. Janet Calder, Administrator P.O. Box 1003 Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3Z7	227

Kings County

Kings Regional Rehabilitation Centre Mr. Keith Menzies, Administrator Waterville, N.S. B0P 1V0	91

Children's Facilities

Community Residential Care Facilities

Cape Breton County

C.A.S. of Cape Breton Group Home F.A. "Sandy" Bowes 226 Whitney Avenue Sydney, N.S. B1P 5A4	5
Liscombe House (C.A.S. of Cape Breton) F.A. "Sandy" Bowes 84 Charlotte Street Sydney, N.S. B1P 1B7	5

Cumberland County

Ramsay House Mr. Bob Mullins 151 Victoria Street E. Amherst, N.S. B4H 1Y2	6

Halifax County

	capacity
Halifax Children's Aid Society Ms. Marilyn Peers, Executive Director 1751 Oxford Street Halifax, N.S. B3H 2Z8	5
Y.M.C.A. Walnut Street Group Home Mr. Bill Vangorder 1841 Walnut Street Halifax, N.S. B3H 3S8	6
Sister of the Good Shepherd Group Home Sister Bernadette Collins 5724 South Street Halifax, N.S. B3H 1S4	5

Hants County

Family and Children's Services of Hants County Lubin G. Bourque 2 Avon Street Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0	6

Lunenburg County

Special Foster Home 156 York Street Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 1R3	5

Children's Residential Centres

Boys' Residential Centres Mr. Frank Capstick 680 King Street New Waterford, N.S. B1H 3Z3	11
Nova Scotia Residential Centre Mr. Bill MacLeod P.O. Box 826 Truro, N.S. B2N 5G6	48
Residential Centre, Halifax Sister Bernadette Collins 1172 South Park Street Halifax, N.S. B3H 2W8	11
Residential Centre, Hebron Mr. Brian Amirault P.O. Box 95 Hebron, Yarmouth Co., N.S. B0W 1X0	12

Child Caring Facilities

Annapolis County	*capacity*
S.O.S. Children's Village Mr. Jack Beaudin Nova Scotia-Canada Society Margaretsville, N.S. B0S 1N0	7

Cape Breton County	
Bairncroft Ms. Joan Ingall, Superintendent 1612 Kings Road Sydney, N.S. B1S 1E5 Phone 562-4284	15
Salvation Army Parkdale House Captain E. Jane Currie, Executive Director 47 Byng Avenue Sydney, N.S. B1P 5B9 Phone 562-5827	9

Halifax County	
Hawthorne House 131 Prince Albert Road Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 1M5	8
Independence Home, Halifax Region Linden Lea Court Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y	4
Johnson House 518 Pleasant Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2W 1A4	8
Jubien House 233 Purcell's Cove Road Halifax, N.S. B3P 1B9	8
Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children 1018 Main Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2W 4X9	32

Children's Training Centres

Children's Training Centre Janet Bray 270 Pleasant Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2Y 3S3	40

	capacity
Children's Training Centre Mr. Ray Francis P.O. Box 970 Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0	40
Children's Training Centre Mrs. Nina Clarke P.O. Box 880 Pictou, N.S. B0K 1A0	40
Children's Training Centre Ms. Barbara MacKenzie, Acting Superintendent P.O. Box 69 Sydney, N.S. B1V 2Y4	40

Youth Training Centre

Nova Scotia Youth Training Centre Mr. John Walker, Superintendent P.O. Box 460 Truro, N.S. B2N 5C7	198

Custody Facilities—Young Offenders Act

Shelburne Youth Centre Mr. Heikki Muinonen, Superintendent P.O. Box 400 Shelburne, N.S. B0T 1W0 Phone 875-3191	150
Cape Breton Youth Resource Centre Ms. Ann Shears, Director 571 Esplanade Sydney, N.S. B1P 1B4 Phone 564-0032	14

Specialized Nursing Care Facility for Children

Palmeter's Country Nursing Home Children's Unit Mr. E.G. Griffin 655 Park Street Kentville, N.S. B4N 3V7	27

Private Child-Caring Institutions

Nova Scotia Home for Coloured Children Mr. Wilfred Jackson, Executive Director 1018 Main Street Dartmouth, N.S. B2W 4X9 Phone 434-0674	32

	capacity
Home of the Guardian Angel Sister M.S. Burns, Superintendent 6345 Coburg Road Halifax, N.S. B3H 2A4 Phone 422-7964	8
Salvation Army Bethany House Captain Barbara Penny, Executive Director 980 Tower Road Halifax, N.S. B3H 2Y4 Phone 422-5900	9
Bairncroft Ms. Joan Ingall, Superintendent 1612 Kings Road Sydney, N.S. B1S 1E5 Phone 562-4284	15
Salvation Army Parkdale House Captain E. Jane Currie, Executive Director 47 Byng Avenue Sydney, N.S. B1P 5B9 Phone 562-5827	9

Adult Service Centres

Cape Breton Region

The Green Door Society Ltd. P.O. Box 366, Cheticamp, N.S. B0E 1H0 Manager: Georgina Poirier Phone 224-2000	20
Northside Adult Service Centre 26 Haley Street North Sydney, N.S. Manager: Debra MacLean Phone 794-3517	30
Regional Occupational Centre Vocational School Residence P.O. Box 839 Port Hawkesbury, N.S. B0E 2V0 Manager: Kay Isenor Phone 625-0132	17
Sydney Kinsmen Resource Centre 780 Prince Street Sydney, N.S. B1P 5N6 Manager: Mary Lynne O'Leary Phone 539-8553	70
Brass Tack Workshop 40 MacLean Street, Glace Bay, N.S. B1A 2K7 Manager: Shirley Romo	20

Central Region	*capacity*
Endale Industries P.O. Box 251, Elmsdale, N.S. B0N 1M0 Manager: Linda Horne Phone 883-9404	30
The Bridge Adult Service Centre 10 Croft Street Amherst, N.S. B4H 2Z4 Manager: Ms. Susan Thibodeau Phone 667-8433	20
Golden Opportunity Vocational and Rehabilitation Centre 25 King Street Springhill, N.S. B0M 1X0 Manager: Mrs. Joanne Hunter Phone 597-3158	20
Colchester Community Workshops 575 Prince Street Truro, N.S. B2N 1G2 Manager: Ann Cooper Phone 893-7228	51
Halifax Region	
DASC Industries 10 Akerley Blvd., Suite 24 Burnside Industrial Park Dartmouth, N.S. B3B 1J4 Manager: Sandra Purcell Phone 469-0856	80
Halifax Adult Service Centre 3430 Prescott Street Halifax, N.S. B3K 4Y4 Manager: Susan Slaunwhite Phone 454-7387	115
Anchor Industries Sackville Industrial Park 61 Glendale Avenue Lower Sackville, N.S. B4C 3J7 Manager: Cathy Deagle Phone 865-1651	40

North Shore Region

capacity

Heatherton Adult Service Centre 8
P.O. Box 35, Heatherton, Antigonish Co., N.S. B0H 1R0
Manager: Ms. Jovita Chisholm
Phone 386-2808

Summer Street Industries 40
874 Summer Street
New Glasgow, N.S. B2H 3Z2
Manager: Bob Bennett
Phone 755-1945

CAMR Community Workshop 25
83 Saint Ninian Street, Box 1330
Antigonish Co., N.S. B2G 1Y7
Manager: Mr. Leonard MacDonald
Phone 863-5024

South Shore Region

Shelburne County Adult Mentally Handicapped Workshop 20
P.O. Box 356, Barrington Passage, N.S. B0W 1G0
Manager: Marion Boudreau
Phone 875-2668

Queens Adult Service Centre 35
P.O. Box 100, Liverpool, N.S. B0T 1K0
Manager: Murray Kirkpatrick
Phone 354-2723

The Ark Industries 40
R.R. #1, Bridgewater, N.S. B4V 2V9
Manager: Cheryl Cooper
Phone 543-5308

Western Region

Atelier de Clare 11
Université Sainte-Anne
Church Point
Digby, N.S. B0W 1M0
Manager: Helene Lewis
Phone 769-3202

The Conway Workshop 15
R.R. #2, Digby, N.S. B0V 1A0
Manager: Troy Guindon
Phone 245-5391

	capacity
Kay Nickerson Adult Service Centre 83 Parade Street Yarmouth, N.S. B5A 4B1 Manager: Hubert Devine Phone 742-2238	30
Revolving Door Annapolis East CAMR P.O. Box 45, Lawrencetown, N.S. B0S 1M0 Chairperson: Tom Porter Phone 584-3332	40

Valley Region

Windsor Adult Vocational Services Centre P.O. Box 1075 6 Centennial Drive Windsor, N.S. B0N 2T0 Manager: Dorothy Miller-Fleet Phone 798-5160	20
Beehive Adult Service Centre Commercial Street Aylesford, Kings Co., N.S. B0P 1C0 Manager: Carol Craig Phone 847-9443	30
The Flower Cart 1196 Commercial Street New Minas, N.S. B4N 3E9 Manager: Jim Oulton Phone 678-2478	40

Sheltered Workshops

New Leaf Enterprises 3125 Kempt Road Halifax, N.S. B3N 5N6 Manager: Ans Van Den Broek Phone 429-9044	25
Lake City Industries 386 Windmill Road Dartmouth, N.S. B3A 1J5 Manager: Christopher Fyles Phone 465-5000	20
Inverness Cottage Workshop P.O. Box 458, Railway Street Inverness, N.S. B0E 1N0 Manager: Caroline MacLean Phone 258-3316	25

Personnel and Office Telephone Numbers

Regional Offices

Halifax	424-4150	Kentville	678-6176
New Glasgow	755-5950	Sydney	562-5506
Yarmouth	742-7871		

District Offices

Amherst	667-3336	Port Hawkesbury	625-0660
Annapolis	532-2337	Queens	354-3422
Antigonish	863-3213	Sackville	865-5750
Barrington	637-2335	Shelburne	637-2335
Bridgewater	543-2411	Truro	895-6337
Colchester	895-6337	Windsor	798-8319
Cumberland	667-3336		
Dartmouth	424-3298		
Digby	245-2581	**Sub-Offices**	
Guysborough	533-4007	New Waterford	862-6289
Hants	798-8319	Springhill	597-8157
Liverpool	354-3422	Sydney Mines	736-6270
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